St. Mary Star of the Sea School

All Classes Reunion

Saturday, September 10, 2022

St. Mary Star of the Sea School, Astoria, Oregon

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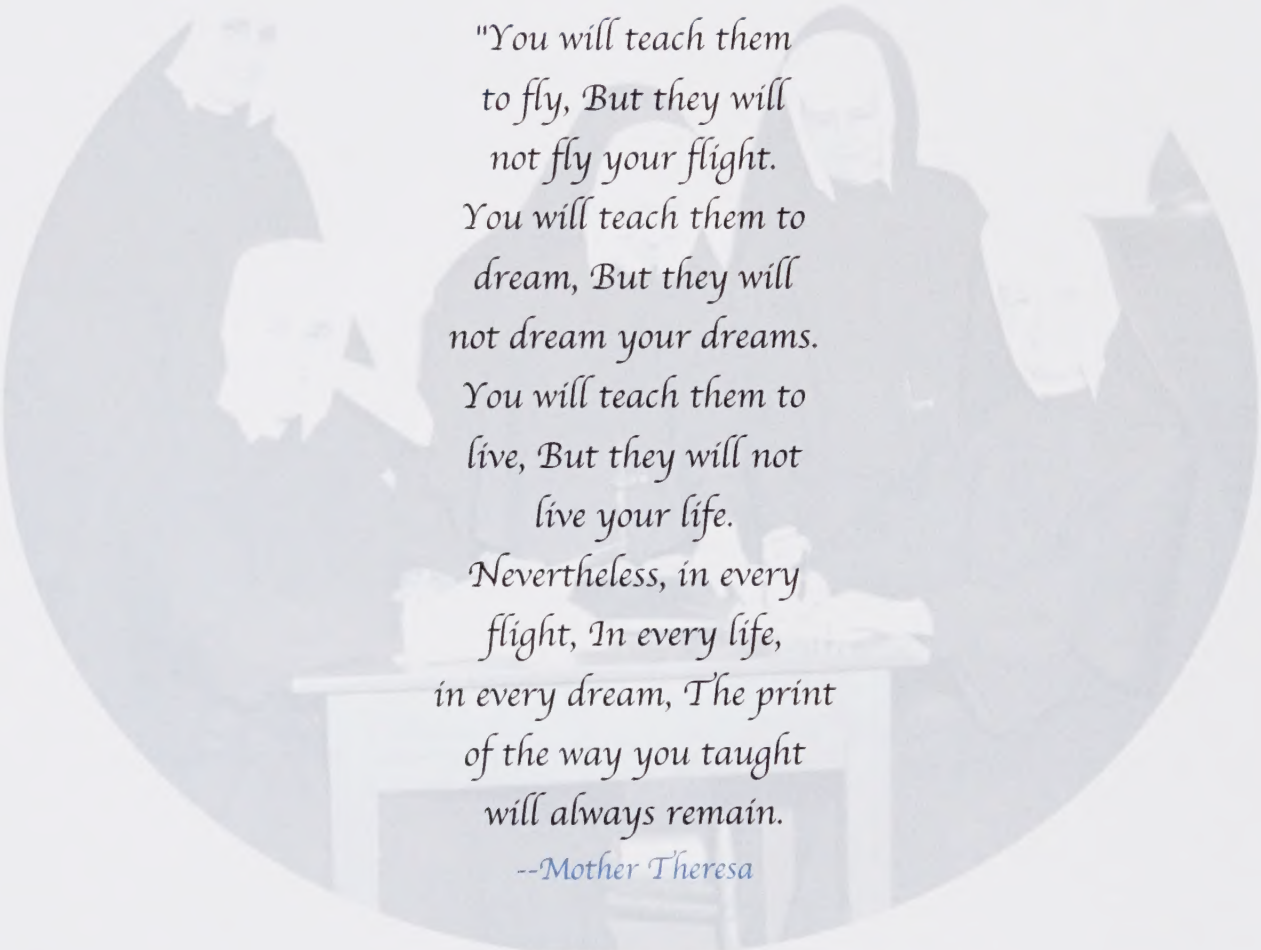
Dedicated to:

The Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary
Parishioners and Priests of St. Mary Star of the Sea
Our Parents--Our First Teachers



"You will teach them
to fly, But they will
not fly your flight.
You will teach them to
dream, But they will
not dream your dreams.
You will teach them to
live, But they will not
live your life.
Nevertheless, in every
flight, In every life,
in every dream, The print
of the way you taught
will always remain.
--Mother Theresa

There are two things
we should give our children:
one is roots and
the other is wings.

Sister Mary John the Baptist
Superior General 1886-1895
Provincial Superior of Oregon 1895-1905

Sister M. Perpetua
Youngest of the first twelve
of the Oregon foundresses

A School is Born

No doubt, some of you readers, especially those former students at the first Catholic School in Astoria, have been wondering when the history of that "hall of learning" would be recorded. To keep these records straight, we must wait for the year 1896.

It had long been the dream of our then parish priest Fr. Dielman, as well as an ardent wish of the rapidly growing Catholic population here, to have a teaching community in its midst. Beside its predominant Nordic population, largely Lutheran, Astoria was a melting pot, a small one, to be sure, of the many other ethnic groups, a large segment of which was from southern Europe, Yugoslavians, and Italians, and many Irish,all who brought, along with their hopes and dreams of life in the New World, a strong sense of loyalty to their Catholic faith and the desire to have their children educated in a school of that faith. As we have begun to realize, Fr. Dielman wasn't one to sit back and dream . . . he dreamed "in action," in other words, he had been writing, writing, writing letters . . . .

One happy day in the spring of 1896, a telegram arrived from the Mother House of the Holy Names Order, Montreal, Canada. Not only was the event of a telegram one of excitement in those early days of "wireless," the contents of the message were of equal excitement to good Fr. Dielman.

His dream (and prayer) was to become a reality. The message announced that "Mother John the Baptist and Sister Mary Perpetua would arrive in Astoria to set the wheels in motion for a Catholic School." Arrive they did on May 7 of that same spring, and without further ado the residence of Judge F.J. Taylor on 16th and Franklin was purchased for $6500 as a convent home for the teaching Sisters soon to arrive. June 15, the contract for an additional building for the new school on the property next to the convent (where Trinity Lutheran Church now stands) was let to Salem contractor Henry Zapf, and seven days later, the construction of Astoria's first (and only) Catholic Academy for Young Ladies was started, June 22.

Sisters Mary Leocadia and Sister Othilio had arrived just prior to this to oversee the building program, and the cornerstone of the school was laid without fanfare or ceremony July 6. Eight more teaching Sisters arrived with their superior Sister Mary Peter Alcantara in August. They were Sisters M. James, assistant superior, M. Bernadette, M. Elmire, Alphonsus Mary and M. Cyrille.

Interest in the school that was a-building was tremendous. Gifts from benefactors began pouring in for the Sisters convent, pieces of furniture destined to become cherished antiques in later years, came from some of the stately homes on the hills, kettles and pots, blankets and linens, rugs and "lace" curtains. Nothing was too good for those first teaching Sisters, avowed Astorians! Now that the school was all roofed in and secure, the generosity of the townspeople came forward again, like a piano, a clock that struck the hours in sonorous tones, books for the music room and library. With business acumen and foresight, the Sisters saw to having the convent and school buildings properly insured, and the Van Dusen Insurance Agency, still an important part of this community, took care of this. Later, this was to be proved a most fortunate provision.

Now it is September 5, 1896. The Sisters of the Holy Names of the academy, along with the Sisters of Providence of Charity, and, to be sure, a great crowd of townspeople and city officials, gathered at the newly constructed school to offer a "Deo Gratias" as workmen put the last finishing touches on the completion of the project. The Astoria Herald newspaper stated, "Astoria is fortunate in securing a school of this kind. The school consists of both a boarding and day school, where, not only primary branches are taught, but all the higher studies, in addition to drawing, painting, music and the languages. There will be an efficient corps of teachers and strict discipline will be maintained."

Formal dedication of the academy took place Sunday, Sept. 13, conducted by Fr. Dielman. Flowers from Astoria's fall gardens adorned the convent, and every room of the school had its bright bouquet. The resounding voices of the choir consisting of the school Sisters and those from the hospital, soared out over the quiet hillsides and waters of the Columbia, shining below in the autumn sunshine, with organ and violin accompaniment, before the final benediction closed a morning of promise for the Academy of the Holy Names.

During the feverish activity of the next ten days, the Sisters of the Academy worked long hours, assisted by numerous willing hands and backs from members of the parish and other family members in town, equally interested. Desks had to be set in place, boxes of books unpacked and placed on spanking bright new shelves, all school supplies and sundries arranged in cupboards to be ready for opening day of school.

Girl students of Holy Names Academy
Can you pick some of the belles of today?

Among this group is to be found some of the first boys who were enrolled at Holy Names Academy, Astoria. How many do you recognize?

When classes "set up" that first day, Sept. 14, 1896, there were 18 little girls, pink-cheeked and proud in their new uniforms, shining hair in saucy braids or bobbing curls, lined up to register with the school Sisters as the first students of the Holy Names Academy for Young Ladies. One name was of those first registrants is that of little Hildegarde Brunold, now known to Astorians as "Grandma Moore," matriarch of a dynasty of eight children, whose sons, grandsons and great grandsons were prominent on Star of the Sea School basketball teams for three generations. Through those "years of Moores," Grandma was a faithful and very ardent fan and attendant at all home games of the team, for she always had a Moore on the squad to cheer for!

Another name that is familiar to parishioners and townspeople alike is that of Alice Kearney (Owen), who registered that first year and who has many descendants in this area.

The first Mass in the school's chapel was said Oct. 19 of that school term. A footnote says that it was the occasion for the first communion of Eulalia Snyder, a former pupil of the Sisters school in Portland. Then, in November, the pupils of the new school honored the Mother Provincial, on a visit to Astoria. At the receptin, Miss Adele Sovey, sister of Louis (Fritz) Sovey, a generous donor of the church, hospital and school, as well as to the Pioneer Clatsop County Historical Society and its projects, gave the welcoming address, expressing the pleasure the Provincial Mother's visit gave the pupils. The first entertainment was a Christmas program, during which the school was crowded to capacity by parishioners, townspeople and proud parents. In fact, the event drew "raves" from the local newspaper, which stated in glowing terms: "It was the most refined and the best entertainment yet seen in Astoria," (evidently, there had been instances in town of entertainment of a different sort heretofore for the benefit of roistering ships' crews along the waterfront establishments!), the article concluding with "the excellence of the performers on the program and the spectacular ability of the orchestra and chorus in the rendition of beautiful Christmas music."

. . . . .The first graduate of the Academy of the Holy Names, Astoria, was Irene Riley in 1908, and the second graduating class consisted of Theresa Kearney (Sister Mary Frances Josephine) in 1916.

There were other social gatherings and parties to follow, special holiday observances and family potlucks, with parents of the different ethnic groups vying to "please the palette" with dishes concocted from recipes brought over from the old country. The first bazaar was held, netting the amazing amount of $325! When school closed for summer vacation in June, there was no public observance, as there were yet, no pupils ready to graduate. But the Sisters, parents and pupils were more than pleased with the progress of the school. "Gold" medals, cherished as though they were the real thing, were presented to little Hildegarde Brunold for the highest scholastic average in the lower grades; to Christine Barth for highest in the upper grades; and to Jennie Curtis for regular attendance.

The long days of summer afforded opportunities for the parishioners to make the new school Sisters "feel at home in their new community." They were included on organizational and family picnics to the ocean beaches and to the beautiful, parklike picnic area, with its sandy beach and wooded slopes at Tongue Point, "the" popular spot for picnics in those days because it was so accessible. One highlight of the summer for the Sisters was a boat trip on a steamer "Ilwaco" across to Fort Canby and Cape Disappointment lighthouse.

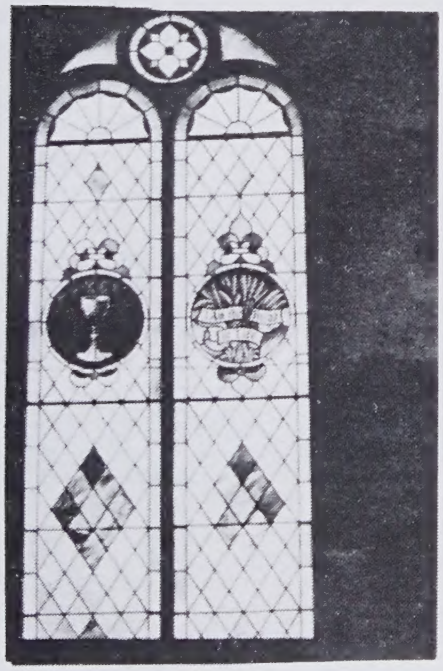
By the start of the second term that fall, enrollment reached 103, and someone reminded Father Dielman that he had said before the opening of the school, "When the enrollment reaches 100, I'll give the school a gift of $1 per pupil." And true to his word, Fr. Dielman whipped out his checkbook and wrote a check for $100.

An early edition of the Astorian Daily News, has an article in which Editor Gibson explained that he had asked permission to visit every department of the school "for the purpose of making an evaluation." Permission granted (without qualms by the Sisters), with the result of Gibson's editorializing that "Astoria has an institution of which it can be justly proud."

Life fell into a studious pattern, not without its fun and entertainments for the girls. Through the last years of the century, enrollment and activities of the fast growing school continued to expand. And the local news continued to allot columns of detailed accounts of year-end exercises, holiday programs and the exemplary participation of students of the academy at county fairs and other community events.

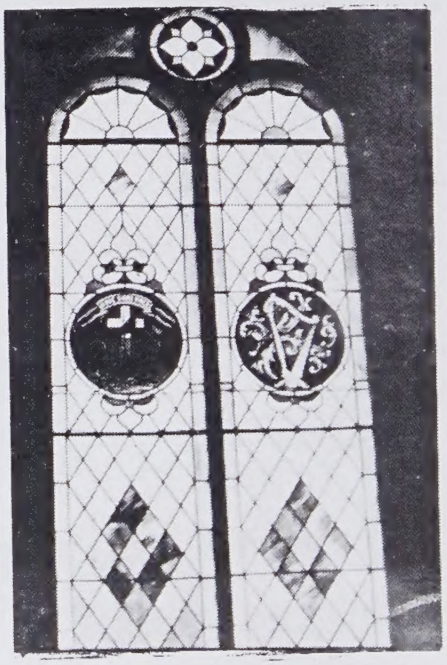
The year 1905-06 was a memorable one, for the school opened its doors to receive boy students. Seven small boys were welcomed, among them Leopold Robinson, James Robinson, Thomas Shea and Eben Parker.

Also an occasion for joyous celebration was when Elsie Leahy, daughter of the Michael Leahys of Olney, a student at the academy for many years, was the first from the school to enter the order of the Sisters of the Holy Names, as Sister Mary Eleanor.



Presented by Mrs. Catherine Feeley and Family

Presented by the Most Rev. Archbishop A. Christie



Presented by Astoria Council No. 106 Young Mens' Institute

Others presented by:

Young People's Club
In Memory of Amanda Lane

Thomas Corbett and Fred Miller
Pupils of Holy Names Academy

Mr. John Leahy and Family
League of the Sacred Heart

A "Star" Rises

So the year now is 1924. The academy of the Holy Names had burned, the pupils were portioned out in classes held here and there about town, Fr. Waters was well established and revered here . . . and anyway, there was call for a larger school even if the academy hadn't been destroyed by fire, Fr. Waters stated. And everyone agreed with him.

News of the plans for the new school was released by the committee in charge of the Morning Astorian, who recorded it as follows:

"Knowledge of the latest building project to be launched in Astoria became public today with the announcement that St. Mary Catholic Parish would immediately construct a three-story parochial school on the church property on the southwest corner of 14th and Grand Avenue. The parish has placed the authority for the construction of the school, to be known as St. Mary Star of the Sea Parochial School, in the hands of an advisory committee composed of the Rev. John Waters, E.P. Noonan. E.R. Keefe, V.W. Tremaine. Dr. F.J. Friedrich and J.L. Moore (husband of Hildegarde Brunold, who had enrolled the first day of the Holy Names Academy and had graduated). Contractors will be Birkemeir and Saremal, Portland. During the construction of the school, pupils of the parish will continue their classes as of last year, and graduation exercises will be held, as they were last year, at Astoria High School."

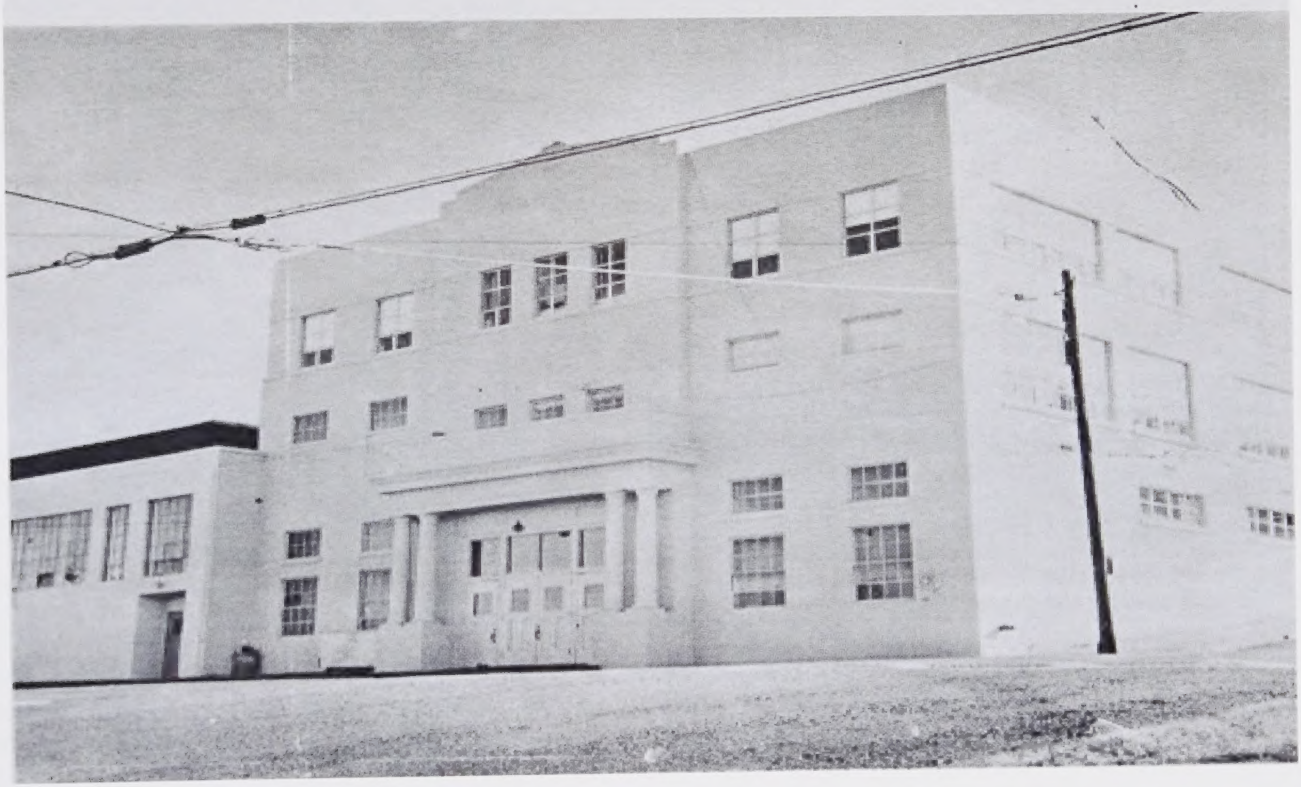
Construction did commence immediately, and the cornerstone of the imposing new building was laid, Sunday, July 20, 1924. His Grace Alexander Christie, Archbishop of Oregon, officiated in laying the cornerstone, after which solemn high Mass was sung in the church by the Rt. Rev. James H. Black, D.D., Portland. The sermon was delivered by Fr. Arthur Lane, D.D., Albany, who formerly served here, and assisting at the Mass were Fr. L. Roche, former chaplain in the Canadian Air Force, and, at that time hospital chaplain; Fr. Waters and John Laidlaw, a seminarian. The choir was directed by Miss Minnie O'Connor, with Miss Alice O'Connor at the organ. All this was duly recorded in the Astorian, ending with "Fr. Waters has extended an invitation to the general public." After the Mass in the church, the crowd assembled in the auditorium of the new school, which, like the church, was packed and overflowing. Work progressed on the second floor of classrooms and the Sisters' quarters on the top floor throughout the summer and early fall, with St. Mary Star of the Sea School opening its doors to its grade and high school students, both boys and girls, Oct. 20. December 18 saw moving vans arriving with furnishings for the Sisters' apartments on the third floor, and on Christmas Day Fr. Waters blessed their little chapel, leaving "Our Eucharistic King" in the tabernacle.

Laying of the Cornerstone Star of the Sea School July 20, 1924: Clergy (L-R) The Rev. J. Waters, The Rev. L. Roach, Right Rev. J.H. Black, Archbishop A. Christie, Right Rev. A. Lane, John Laidlaw. Acolytes (L-R) Frank Foster, Frank Friedrich, Marshall Leathers, Charles Moore, Nick Danielovich, Paul Tipcich. Banner Bearer: Louis Moore. Building Com. (L-R) Dr. F.J. Friedrich, E.P. Noonan, J.L. Moore, V.W. Tremaine, E.R. Keefe. Architect (R-Front) E. Kroner. Contractor (R-Front) Mr. Saremal.

As of old, the students continued to prove their ability in fields of music, essay contests, county fair exhibits, Girl Scout, Boy Scout, Brownie and Cub Scouts, as well as in the field of athletics. students from year to year won scholarships from the Elks and Rotary, were chosen representatives of Beaver Boys' State and Girls' State, sponsored by the American Legion and Auxiliary, respectively, played an active role in Junior Red Cross and the War Bond Drives, as well as receiving scholarships to Marylhurst, The University of Portland and Gonzaga.

However, it was becoming evident that the high school boys wanted to enter other forms of competitive athletics other than basketball, and several of the stalwart hopefuls transferred to Astoria High School, where this sport was played. And, where the boys went, so went the girls. In June of 1969, the Star of the Sea High School was phased out, due to the diminishing enrollment, and it concentrated on becoming a grade school, with kindergarten added later.

This problem that beset Star of the Sea School was not uncommon to other parochial schools throughout the country, with the added problem of a declining amount of teaching Sisters. The fact that the Star of the Sea School has continued to exist continuously all these years, since the days of the old academy, will be related in this history at a later date in a happening close to the miraculous.



Star of the Sea School and its gymnasium, filling half the block from 14th to 15th on Grand Avenue, Astoria, functions today as an intermediate school, maintained by the Sisters of the Eucharist. Built in 1924 (the gymnasium was built later), it had included the junior high and high school grades.

Catholic School in Astoria to Close

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The Catholic Sentinel

ASTORIA — One of the oldest Catholic schools in Oregon will close at the end of the academic year because of money shortfall.

St. Mary, Star of the Sea School here opened in 1896. It has struggled financially for years, with parishioners sacrificing to keep it on the edge of viability. Many parishioners considered the school their top ministry, but small-town financial realities prevailed. Star of the Sea is the last Catholic school on the Oregon coast.

Parish officials say the impending closure is not the result of impropriety or mismanagement by current or previous leaders. Archbishop John Vlazny said his Jan. 14 decision to close the school was not easy and he calls it "a very difficult time for the families with children in the school."

Two councils of parishioners last summer recommended immediate closure. But the archbishop and Father Ken Sampson, the pastor, wanted more time to see if the school could be saved. Officials say no sustained means of support emerged and raising tuition to the needed levels would put the school out of reach for most families in the area.

In a Jan. 21 letter to parishioners, Archbishop Vlazny urged the parish to celebrate the achievements of the school "in its long and admirable history." But he also asked parishioners to renew their motivation for evangelizing, which was the purpose of creating the school in the first place.

"As a faith community we know that in order to share our faith and shape our future we shall need to revitalize the parish religious education program, which will be more important than ever in assisting parents with the spiritual formation of their children," the archbishop said.

The archbishop said fundraising at the parish has been so focused on the school that "people forget that it has been only one of the many parish ministries which it is our responsibility to support."

The archbishop included hope in his message, praying that "God will continue to bless our Astoria Catholic community and, through the inner-workings of the Holy Spirit, lead us into new and even more effective ways of nurturing and strengthening our faith as we continue to carry out our baptismal calling as disciples in mission together."

The decision to close comes after consultations with Father Sampson, Principal Tom Rogozinski, the superintendent of Catholic schools, the archdiocesan finance office and councils at the archdiocese and parish.

"We recognize that this announcement of school closure may be met with a range of emotions (anger, resignation, surprise, shock, etc.) all of which are valid and understandable," said a letter to parishioners and parents from Father Sampson and Rogozinski. They expressed hope that the parish and school community will "embrace a spirit of unity and togetherness in this very trying time."

In recent years, the school has run an annual budget deficit of $100,000 to $250,000. Bequests, grants, endowment principal and parishioner gifts provided a respite, but not a cure. Even those sources began to shrink in the past two years. The parish was sending 60 percent of its resources to the school, triple the archdiocese's recommended maximum.

New fundraising initiatives, student-teachers from the University of Portland and a property sale are helping the school finish out the year but could not bring long-term sustainability. "Every opportunity has been explored to make the school viable," says the letter from the priest and the principal.

Catholic schools, especially those in small towns and inner cities, have a hard time surviving. The National Catholic Education Association says more than 1,600 U.S. Catholic schools closed in the past decade, with a 33 percent enrollment drop in that period. The economy is largely to blame. Clatsop County has one of the highest unemployment rates in the state.

When Catholic Nuns Took on the Klan in Court and Won

Apr 12, 2021

by Elizabeth Eisenstadt Evans

Ku Klux Klan parade, Washington, D.C., Sept. 13, 1926, during a period when the group's popularity was surging across the United States (Library of Congress Prints and Photographs Division)

When nativist powers like the Ku Klux Klan and the state's own governor confronted the religious community of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary in 1920s Oregon, it was a clash of historic proportions.

At stake? Something relatively commonplace today — the right of parents to decide where their children could be educated.

At the time, said Sister Carol Higgins, a member of Holy Names of Jesus and Mary who has studied the era, Catholics in Oregon made up less than 10% of the population.

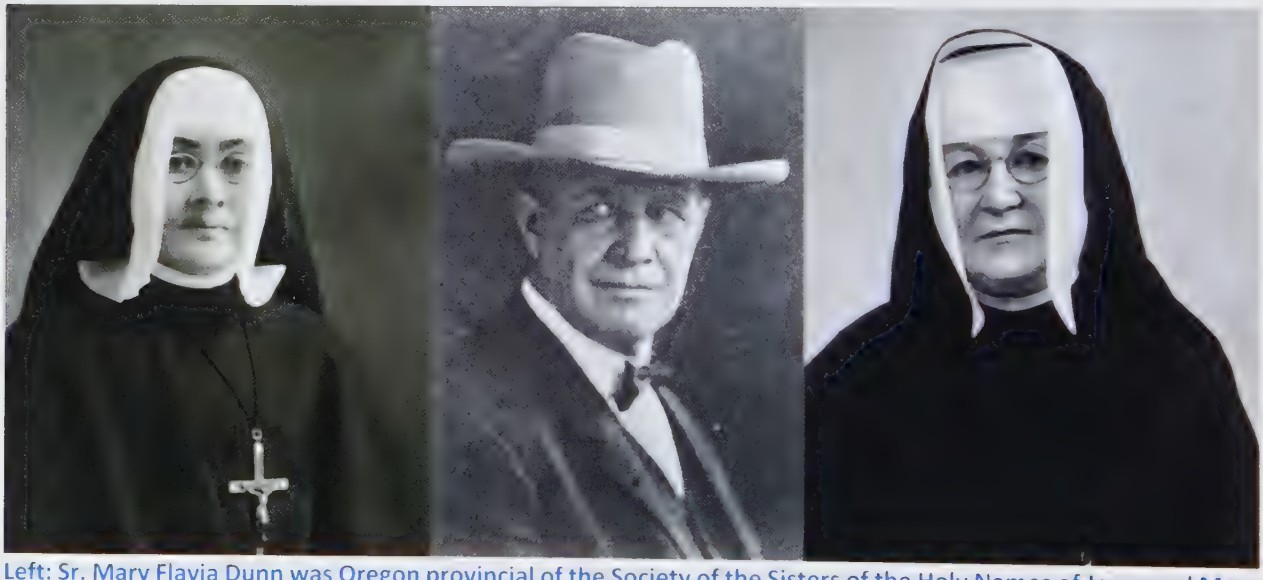
In the early years of the 20th century, the Ku Klux Klan, a jingoistic and racist organization founded in the South to reverse Reconstruction policies after the Civil War, was surging in popularity across the United States. Its influence stretched well beyond the former states of the Confederacy. In Oregon at that time, "the Klan had more KKK members than any other state in the union," she said.

"It's kind of the same rallying cry we're hearing today," she said. " 'We want America to look like we look and think the way we think. Diversity is not a good thing.' And so, they were going to make it happen by educating children."

Though there weren't many Catholics in 1920s Oregon, there were even fewer Black people. That's due in part to the "exclusion laws" on the books, meant to keep Blacks, Jews, Japanese and other immigrants from owning land, said Higgins. The governor at the time, Walter Pierce, though progressive on many issues, like the 19th century abolitionists, had nativist sympathies and the backing of the Klan when he became governor in 1922.

That was the year Oregon voters passed the *Compulsory Public Education Act.* The *Oregon Compulsory Public Education Bill*, also known as Measure 6, was on the November 7, 1922 ballot in Oregon as an initiated state statute, where it was approved, but later overturned. The measure would have required children between eight and sixteen to attend a public school with some exceptions based on age, health and access to a parent or private teacher, which was just what it sounded like, sparking a backlash not only from Catholics but also from other denominations and private academies. Though the bill didn't mention Catholic schools, said Higgins, they were clearly the target. "The Klan saw the measure as a way to Americanize Catholic children and make sure that they didn't receive an anti-Protestant message." (The KKK also backed a similar bill in Washington state in 1924, which sparked a lot of local opposition and was defeated.)

A year later, said Higgins, the legislature passed the Oregon School Garb Bill, which made it unlawful for public school teachers to wear religious clothing while teaching. "So again, it was directly targeting the sisters who were teaching in the public schools, providing the service because there weren't enough teachers," said Higgins.



Left: Sr. Mary Flavia Dunn was Oregon provincial of the Society of the Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary from 1911 to 1920 and had occasions on which she confronted the Ku Klux Klan, according to the order's history. (Courtesy of the Sisters of the Holy Name of Jesus and Mary, U.S.-Ontario Province archives); Center: A progressive in many other respects, Gov. Walter Pierce of Oregon was also a nativist, backing the Klan and the anti-Catholic Compulsory School Act, which targeted parochial schools. (Oregon Historical Society Archives); Right: Mother Alphonsus Mary Daly was Oregon provincial of the Society of the Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary from 1920 to 1929.

In reaction to the state move to mandate public education for all Oregon children, the order sued Gov. Walter Pierce and other state officials for the right of families to choose where their children would be educated. (Courtesy of the Sisters of the Holy Name of Jesus and Mary, U.S.-Ontario Province archives)

Because the Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary had established schools in various parts of the state, then-Archbishop of Portland, Alexander Christie, asked the women, joined by a military academy, to sue for an injunction against the law. Instead of focusing on the question of religious liberty, the lawsuit centered on the due process clause of the 14th Amendment. The writers of the brief argued that the law would close Catholic schools and thus deprive sisters of their property without due process.

In 1924, a federal district court agreed, granting the injunction. And in June of the next year (Oregon had appealed the decision), so did the United States Supreme Court in the case that has become known as *Pierce* vs. *Society of Sisters*.

"Our joy is unbounded — it is as if the very floodgates of Heaven had opened and poured out upon the length and breadth of our own United States the refreshing waters of renewal of spirit. The God-sent verdict passed from one expectant heart to another with lightning speed and on the instant more than ten thousand times ten thousand voices sang through the very vaults of Heaven with a jubilant thanksgiving which then but intoned the eternal hymn," wrote a sister that day in the Chronicles kept by the order at the convent in Marylhurst, Oregon. She referenced their late Archbishop Christie, who had died before the Supreme Court decision, and proclaimed "that none would know the secret of the unparalleled victory before he did."

In the long run, the case established that parents, the primary educators of their children, had a right to have them educated any way they wish, said Higgins. Almost a 100 years later, "families can have their children in public schools, private schools, Catholic schools, home schools and online schools. The freedom to make any of those decisions comes directly from this court case."

This Ku Klux Klan meeting took place in front of the stadium at Columbia Field, below J.J. Astor School. The stadium was constructed in 1922. (EO Media Group file photo)

From the Chronicles of the Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary

St. Mary Star of the Sea Convent, Astoria, Oregon

1953-1954: 58th Scholastic Year

November 16, 1953

Parish Bazaar. On the second weekend in November the united and devoted efforts of the parish priests and many parishioners culminated in the annual Verboort style sausage dinner and the church bazaar. Socially and financially, they seem to have been a success; the booths sold out their goods and had to be replenished; the sausage and sauerkraut dinner was well attended; and the Bingo game played late into the night. The net proceeds of these undertakings--$3,500 with the children's bazaar bringing in $293.93.

December 1, 1953

Fall Concert. Despite heavy drenching rain, the auditorium was filled to capacity for the Fall Concert. The audience showed its friendliness and appreciative applause that the choralists and soloists were not only good to see but also good to hear. Formals added color and grace to the occasion; silvered laurel leaves and hydrangea added sparkle; and deft fingers and harmonious choral numbers added glory to our music department. Outstanding piano numbers were *Roxanne* (Sibelius) played by Janet Jalbert and *Fantastic Impromptu* by Jeanne Maddox. The program ended with an artistic rendition of *The Pine's Mystery* (Kilpatrick) and *Malaguena* (Lecuona) by the girls' chorus.

February 6, 1954

Star of the Sea Wins. Theodore Nelson and Sharon Falleur, eighth grade pupils from Star of the Sea School, were contestants this morning in the championship round of the Spelling Bee conducted by KAST, Astoria Broadcasting Company. Representatives from the eighth grades of fourteen schools of Clatsop County have been contesting in first and semi-final rounds of this Bee since November. Today Teddy Nelson won the final championship and was awarded a $50 wrist watch. It was Our Lady, Star of the Sea, to whom we had entrusted the contest, who won this final victory for her school.

May 13, 1954

Pilgrimage. The sun shines propitiously today as the high school students with the faculty set out on their pilgrimage to the Sanctuary of Our Sorrowful Mother in Portland. Twelve cars transported the group, ably chaperoned by a parent or adult in each car. A High Mass will be offered at the grotto altar at ten A.M. by our pastor, Very Reverend R.S. Neugebauer.

May 23, 1954

Living Rosary. This evening a Living Rosary encircled the congregation at the church, with a crucifix and "Our Fathers" of vested boys and decades of girls in pastel. From the pulpit Patrick Malloy read a meditation on the mystery and a lighted candle was passed along, each bead led its prayer. Sodality Prefect, Patricia Sutkowski, escorted by a crown bearer and flower girls, crowned Our Lady enthroned on a floral litter. This inspiring manifestation of devotion to the Blessed Mother was followed by a sermon from Very Reverend R.S. Neugebauer and by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

1954-1955 - 59th Scholastic Year

September 7, 1954

Registration. Star of the Sea school registered two hundred and eighty four pupils as follows: Grade One, thirty-seven; Grade Two, thirty seven; Grade Three, twenty eight; Grade Four, thirty; Grade Five, thirty; Grade Six, fifteen; Grade Seven, twenty-nine; Grade Eight, fourteen; Grade Nine, eighteen; Grade Ten, sixteen; Grade Eleven, nineteen; Grade Twelve, eleven. Grade School, one hundred fifteen boys; one hundred five, girls. High School, thirty-eight boys; twenty-six girls.

October 4, 1954

Fire Drill. *Fire Prevention Week* opened with a fire drill called by fire department officials. The record drill time of fifty seconds was recognized in the *Astoria Budget*.

October 6, 1954

Program. The third and fourth grade students under the direction of Sister M. Rose of Lima honored our revered foundress today with a special assembly program for the grade school. Kathleen Laughman, who took the part of Mother Mary Rose, entered heart and soul into her part as did the two other miniature foundresses, Barbara Sandstrom and Janicine Browning. Howard Clark took the part of Bishop Bourget.

November 19, 1954

Style Show. The music department under the direction of Sister Vida Maria supplied the musical background and numbers for the annual style show featured by the Catholic Daughters of America. Parents and children of the school participated in modeling the clothes for *"Fashion for the Family."*

January 27, 1955

Accident. We have been thanking God today that the lives of two of our students of the high school were spared today. Robert Bansanti, a sophomore, was driving to school with Donald Falleur, a junior, when the car hit an icy spot on the highway. The car skidded and left the road, rolled over several times, and came to a stop upside down. Robert was thrown clear of the car while Donald was hurled to the back seat. Both suffered minor cuts, but the shock was not so great but that they insisted on coming to school and taking the examination scheduled for the day. The car is a total wreck. Close to the scene of this accident a few minutes before, two other cars had collided due to the icy road and the drivers were seriously injured. One of these drivers is the step-mother of William Haggblom, another sophomore.

May 3, 1955

Banquet and Prom. The theme *"Blue Heaven Blues"* chosen by the junior class for the annual banquet and prom to honor the senior class changed the auditorium into a place of beauty. The shrine in honor of Our Lady is so lovely that it has been requested that it remain the rest of the school year. The ten-piece Mariner's Band of Tongue Point Naval Base donated their musical services as a gift to the school.

1955-1956 – 60th Scholastic Year

November 17, 1955

School Closed. The snow storm was not as severe as predicted but sufficiently so to close schools in Astoria for two days. One of our little second graders, Pamela Flynn, suffered a broken leg as the result of a crash of the sled, on which she was riding, into a pole.

December 12, 1955

Slide Emergency. The boys of the senior class answered the plea for help to evacuate eight homes threatened by a new slide. Their generous and unceasing efforts from nine in the morning until eight in the evening received many commendations.

January 5, 1956

Trip to Portland. Our assistant pastor Reverend Franz Schubert arranged a trip to Portland for the Seniors. The trip had been planned for Catholic Youth Week but had to be postponed. Holy Mass at the Cathedral celebrated by Father Schubert was followed by a visit with His Excellency, Archbishop Edward D. Howard, D.D. A tour to the Chancery and the printing office closed the morning. In the afternoon a visit to the Television station KOIN, dinner and shopping filled the busy hours. The trip was enjoyed and appreciated by the ten boys and seven girls of the senior class as well as the chaperones and Father Schubert. The dinner was paid for by the Parents' Club.

March 7, 1956

Program. A very well-prepared program to honor our Holy Father, Pope Pius XII, was given by the fifth and sixth grades under the direction of their teacher Sister Richard Mary. Presented as a television program, both audience and cast learned many facts and received much inspiration from the presentation.

April 20, 1956

Operetta. After weeks of rehearsal a most successful presentation of Victor Herbert's *"The Fortune Teller"* was given to a full house at the Viking theater this evening at 8:00 p.m. Talented leads, colorful costumes, beautiful choral numbers, gracefully executed dances, and professional finesse merited the many compliments of an appreciative and delighted audience.

May 1, 1956

City Youth Day. Three students were asked to participate in the City Youth Day Program today: Edwin Chase acted as County Treasurer; John Hiestand as County Sheriff, and Marcella Hakanson as Secretary to the City Manager.

1956-1957 - 61st Scholastic Year

August 28, 1956

Teachers. As an answer to prayer, we finally obtained a teacher for the third grade to replace Mrs. Holland Hankel whose husband has been transferred to Okinawa, Japan. Mrs. Harold Leigh will replace her. Mrs. Leigh, like Mrs. Hankel, is a Star of the Sea School graduate and also a graduate of Marylhurst Normal School at Marylhurst, Oregon. Mrs. Max Crawford will again teach the second grade. Mr. James Randall will continue to teach in the high school and to coach the athletics. We are fortunate to have these Catholic lay teachers.

September 4, 1956

Opening of School. This morning school opened with an increased enrollment. The total registration was two hundred and ninety-eight, two hundred and twenty-eight in the grade school and seventy in the high school. By the end of this week, we expect twelve more students in the grade department and five in the high school.

March 2, 1957

Award. At a banquet in honor of the basketball teams of the four high schools in the area given by the Kiwanis, Gregory Moore, a sophomore student at Star of the Sea High School, was awarded a trophy as the most inspirational player on the school team. Gregory was voted this honor by the boys who are his teammates.

May 20, 1957

Presentation of Award. The Office of the Governor in Salem was the scene of the presentation of two hundred and fifty dollars in United States Savings Bonds to Betty Morris for her prize-winning safe driving code submitted in a contest sponsored by the *Highway Lifesavers of Oregon Citizens, Inc.* Another of our students, Ted Nelson, won honorable mention. Governor Robert Holmes made the presentation.

1957- 1958 - 62nd Scholastic Year

September 17, 1957

Free Transportation. Noon today marked the beginning of free transportation for children of navy personnel living on federal property at Tongue Point and Navy Heights. Lieutenant James Berger, USN, was instrumental in procuring the free transportation which these children should have been having all along. Several years ago, efforts were made to secure this right but to no avail. Lieutenant Berger has truly been an active member of the school board in view of the movie projector given last year, his determination to improve the playground, and this recent achievement.

January 20, 1958

Play. No higher praise could be given the performances of *"Our Hearts Were Young and Gay"* than that which was printed in the *Astoria Budget* this evening.

"The Star of the Sea Dramatics Club at its first night's performance of "Our Hearts Were Young and Gay" Sunday night, played to a capacity house in the school auditorium and gave the audience a 'shipload' of entertainment.

"That part of the audience whose hearts were young and gay back in the 20's, the era in which this delightful comedy of two young girls on their first trip to Europe takes place, felt a nostalgic twinge as the story progressed. And those who were too young to remember when apparently enjoyed the play for its youthful exuberance and the manner in which the young thespians portrayed their roles."

January 22, 1958

Knights of Columbus Essay Contest. We received word today that Ada Chase, one of our sophomore students, is the winner of the essay contest sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. The subject was *"The Role of the Catholic Teen-Ager in the Community."*

March 15, 1958

Class B Championship. The dream of our students and faculty has tonight become a reality. Star of the Sea High School won the state Class B Tournament in basketball much to the surprise of the sports experts. Underrated by both coaches and sports writers our winning Stars downed Enterprise by an eighteen-point margin. Yoncalla and Jefferson were next defeated to make our team the tournament winner. Both games were close, and victory was not conceded until the last minutes of play when the excited crowd could at last feel that the suspense would be over. Coach Dale Andrich can well be proud of the results of his first season of coaching which won a state first-place trophy and put two of his team, Greg Moore and Bill Hammer, on the All-State Class B Team.

March 16, 1958

Rally. At three o'clock this afternoon a huge rally was organized to welcome the victors in the Class B Tournament home. Cars carrying the coach, team, and cheering section were escorted into town by the police and many friends augmented by the American Legion Drum and Bugle Corps. A program including speeches by His Honor Peter Cosovich, the mayor, and other city officials congratulated the team on its victory and one thousand loyal fans joined in the acclaim. On display were the trophy, the game basketball, and the net from the winning basket.

1958-1959 - 63rd Scholastic Year

October 24, 1958

Centenary Celebration for Students. Four delegates from Star of the Sea School received the privilege of representing their school today at *"Student Day"* at St. Mary's Academy, Portland, the first major observance of our centennial year. Delegates included: Greg Moore, student body president; James Varner, sodality prefect; and Rita Thoennes, senior class president. Judith Ettro represented the grade school department. The day officially closing tomorrow noon is designed to draw all of our students through these delegates, to the realization of their bonds of unity as students of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary, and to assure them by this early observance that they are the primary interest of our religious apostolate.

November 12, 1958

Accident to Playfield. The torrential rains of the last week have had a sad effect on our new playground, Berger Field. Just this spring the field was filled in and a cyclone fence and retaining wall erected, at a cost of more than two thousand dollars and many hours of donated labor. The interest and work of Lt. James Berger, who solicited help from personnel at Tongue Point Naval Station, was so noteworthy that the field was named Berger Field.

This week, as Lt. Berger prepares to leave our city, his efforts seem to be futile. This morning we witnessed the wall facing Grand Street fallen to the street, dragging the cyclone fence with it. While we thank God that no life was lost in this accident, we grieve that this charitable project should meet such an accident at this early date.

December 5, 1958

Basketball Jamboree. Star of the Sea High School will be host at the jamboree officially opening the basketball season of the *Sunset League*. This places on our students the duty of all decorations and preparations for the six participatory teams. Since our gymnasium does not have sufficient spectator seating, the local Armory will be used for the event.

December 17, 1958

Musical Recital. Our grade school music students and choral classes were presented in recital tonight, borrowing a Christmas theme. A first-grade verse choir recited, *"Twas the Night Before Christmas."* while classmates dramatized the action. Small thespians included Michael Schmitz as Santa Claus, Katherine Franzen as the mother and Daniel Ewald as the father. The final chorus accompanied a tableau, central figures of which were Gayle Frame and her baby sister as Blessed Virgin and child, and William Nerenberg as Saint Joseph.

December 30, 1958

State Fire Inspection. The local paper, the *Astoria Budget*, carried the headline today *"Top Floor Closure Threat Issued Local Schools."* According to this source and to a letter by the Very Rev. Paul Malyazko, pastor, Star of the Sea School and two local public schools have been found hazardous by the state fire marshal, who inspected the buildings on December 23. His recommendations, paralleling those of the local inspectors, must be set in motion within sixty days, under warning of a closure of the third floor.

April 4, 1959

Science Fair. Star of the Sea School, both elementary and secondary departments, participated for the first time in the science fair sponsored by the *Oregon Museum and Industry*. The first, second, and third place winners in the school fair, participated in the Clatsop County fair today. The following received first place awards, entitling them to entry in the state fair in Portland. Michael Moore, senior division, James Fawcett, Lawrence Moore, Paxton Hoag, junior high school division; Lawrence Hoag, intermediate division.

April 24, 1959

Junior-Senior Prom. The junior class entertained the seniors tonight in our beautifully decorated auditorium at their annual prom, using the theme Sayonara, meaning a Japanese goodbye. Betty Morris reigned as queen of the dance, with Nancy Jo Kerbel, Toni Ettro, Joy Miles and Margie Roscoe as class princesses.

May 1, 1959

Centenary Concert. Tonight, at the *Portland Civic Auditorium,* our centenary concert materialized under the magnificent direction of Roger Wagner, famed choral director. Sister Lorene Marie, coordinator of the concert, has been in Portland for several weeks concluding the arrangements and managing the final rehearsal. Star of the Sea students who participated: Janet Leader, violin; Betty Morris, Patricia Reynolds, and Karen Johnson, vocalists. We joined our prayers with the entire community that the concert was a real tribute to our loved community and to the Holy Names.

1959-1960 - 64th Scholastic Year

August 27, 1959

Regatta Queen. The Astoria Regatta opened this evening with the coronation of Miss Betty Morris, the candidate presented by our Star of the Sea High School. We were gratified by this selection, as it was made on the basis of poise, ability to meet the public, speech, etc. The comments on Miss Morris have been most complimentary to the training she has received.

December 20, 1959

Christmas Program for Parents. Tonight, the parents of our primary classes enjoyed a Christmas program in the Star of the Sea Auditorium, put on by the first four grades. The beautiful story of Christmas unfolded itself again, but this time through the innocent eyes of children, who told and enacted the scenes. First graders who appeared were Teresa Burgess, as the Blessed Virgin; Willis Van Dusen, as St. Joseph; and David Link, Rodney Mattson, and Thomas Alfonse, as innkeepers.

February 28, 1960

"I Remember Mama" Presented. The first of two evening performances of the two-act drama *"I Remember Mama"* was presented tonight to an enthusiastic audience. Patricia Moore and Toni Ettro played the leads, ably supported by David Roscoe, John Westley, Joy Miles, Steve Zorich, Myphon Hunt, Mary Kaye Kerbel, Karen Johnson, Kathy Tikka, and others.

April 8, 1960

County Science Fair. We were happy to receive word that five students from Star of the Sea School received gold medals for their science exhibits entered in the county contest and were thereby made eligible to enter the state competition in Portland. Two of these, James Fawcett and Daniel Cronen, both sophomores, were judged best in their classes. The other winners are David Roscoe, junior; Paxton Hoag, eighth grade; and Linda Switzer, first grade.

1960-1961 - 65th Scholastic Year

August 25, 1960

Ground Broken for School Addition. The addition of two new classrooms to our school was assured today when the ground was broken for the project, and blessing was given by the Very Reverend Paul D. Malyszko, pastor. There is every indication that the new unit will be ready for occupancy in December or January of this school year.

September 6, 1960

Opening of School. Both high school and grade departments opened their doors for registration today. The total enrollment is 372 with 291 in the elementary department and 81 in the secondary.

September 26, 1960

Dental Clinic. A team of four doctors from Portland, inspected the teeth of all our students today in a clinic which is held all over the state every three years. They will issue statements to parents, indicating recommended care.

October 24, 1960

Student Bazaar. The St. Mary's Parish Bazaar reached its climax, at least in the minds of the elementary school children, this noon when the children's bazaar opened, organized, and conducted by the secondary department. The gentleness which combined with efficiency in the older students' conduct manifest another value other than an economic one in this annual affair.

January 28, 1961

New Classroom Occupied. The new classroom addition to our school actually became the first and second grade classes this morning, when a group of fathers of the students undertook the heavy task of shifting not only the desks of these rooms, but several others also. Within a brief hour Star of the Sea School had expanded itself by two rooms and will hope for an additional teacher for next fall, so that we may have eight single grades.

1961-1962 - 66th Scholastic Year

September 5, 1961

Improvement. An intercommunication system, sponsored by the Parents' Club and the Graduating Class of 1960, and installed by the generous men of the parish, greeted us on our return to school. We are grateful at the promise of much saved time and energy, especially for our devoted Superior, Sister M. Rose Carmel.

September 21, 1961

Voice of Democracy. Seven students today competed in our school elimination for the *Voice of Democracy* contest. Peter Reynolds, a sophomore, was chosen the winner by three faculty judges. His speech on *"What Freedom Means to Me"* will be tape-recorded for the area contest, January fifth.

April 9, 1962

Parents' Club Shower. We were surprised this evening by a shower of canned goods and kitchen gifts, each separately wrapped, provided by the parents of our children. Some of the gifts looked forward to the remodeling work on the kitchen to be done this summer.

At the same meeting the following students were received into the *National Honor Society:* Cynthia Stockfleth, Rita Radich, Michael Hope, William Elder and Esther Walinsky. Roseanne Kramer was installed as the new president.

May 14, 1962

May Procession. Our grade school children today honored our Blessed Mother Mary with a procession, hymns, the rosary, and a crowning. Twenty-two Junior Sacristans acted as a court and their president, Michele Radich, crowned Mary. These children presented a beautiful tribute to their heavenly mother.

May 16, 1962

Mothers' Tea. Mothers of all our students were entertained today at a tea in the school auditorium. Entertainment included a program of musical and choral numbers and an address to the mothers by James Fawcett, Student Body President.

1962-1963 - 67th Scholastic Year

October 23, 1962

Student Discussion. *Our Lady's Sodality* this evening sponsored a discussion for Catholic students at public schools, as well as for those at Star of the Sea, on Christian attitudes toward dating and leadership. About seventy-five students from surrounding schools were present.

October 27, 1962

Hurricane Warning. School was dismissed at 2 o'clock this afternoon because of approaching winds of hurricane proportions. Although the velocity of the wind reached one hundred and twenty miles per hour off Cape Disappointment, no damage was

suffered by either church, school, or convent. We were without electrical power from Friday evening to Sunday afternoon. According to reports from other parts of Oregon and Washington, Astoria escaped with little damage.

January 27, 1963

Mathematics Field Day. Four of our eighth-grade students, Patrice Wohlfeil, Betty Lou Larson, Joseph Dean, and Stanley Hauer, took part today in a *Mathematics Field Day* at Central Catholic High School in Portland. Joseph Dean took first place in the *Chalk-Talk* division, for which we are genuinely proud of our school and of Sister M. Frances Ann, eighth grade teacher. Our students as a team placed fifth in the over-all competition. About one hundred and fifty students took part in the event representing thirty-eight schools of the Archdiocese.

April 25, 1963

Student-Teacher Days. The National Honor Society members took over high school classes today in a project geared to letting them get to know the teacher's responsibility and challenge. Right after school a typical "faculty meeting" was enjoyed by both teachers and student teachers.

May 9, 1963

Banquet. This evening Sisters and students attended the banquet honoring local science fair winners. Two of our high school students were honored by awards. Paula Radich, a sophomore, won a two-week marine biology scholarship at Coos Bay; Paxton Hoag was awarded a trophy for the outstanding high school science project. Besides earning this honor, Paxton and Michael Hope, both juniors, have been selected to attend a two-week session of JESSI (Junior Engineering and Science Institute) at Oregon State during June. A final achievement for our students came in the form of a six-week National Science Foundation grant won by Rita Radich, also a junior, to be held at Holy Names College, Oakland, in microbiology.

1963-1964 - 68th Scholastic Year

September 21, 1963

Outing. Through the thoughtfulness of two of our sophomore girls, Marcia Kirk and Diane Danielovich, and the generosity of Mr. Steck, manager of the *Liberty Theater*, we were invited to see *"To Kill a Mockingbird"* this afternoon.

September 27, 1963

President Kennedy. Tongue Point Naval Station was the scene of a presidential visit at 1:40 o'clock today. All our high school students were dismissed from classes to see President John F. Kennedy. Prolonging his fifteen-minute visit to greet some of the 6,000 Oregonians who turned out to welcome him, he announced his decision to re-activate Tongue Point, where "the Defense Department would establish a school to train purchasers and programmers of weapons systems and the Coast Guard would establish a helicopter rescue base." *The Oregonian* in a full column front page report stated that *"It was a glorious sunny day, the air like wine. ... the hot sun, reflecting and sparkling off the surrounding waters of the Columbia River, made the autumn day seem like summer." This brought to mind the frequent praise in our early chronicles of "Astoria's salubrious air."!*

November 17, 1963

Hootenanny. Four groups of our high school youngsters were helped by Sister M. Antonetta to take part in a program of folk singing, a Hootenanny, given at the Armory for the benefit of developmentally disabled children in Clatsop County. Besides singing the program here on Sunday, eight of these same students appeared on a television program, "Weekend," for half an hour Saturday afternoon. This worthwhile project was co-sponsored by Jean Maddox Fastabend.

November 22, 1963

Assassination. Unbelieving horror has held us in its grip this tragic weekend of the murder of our President, John Fitzgerald Kennedy. This history through which we have lived since Friday has deepened in each one of us both patriotism and faith. We joined with the Protestant congregations of Astoria in a common Memorial Service to our slain president at Astoria high school on the morning of his funeral. At this service our pastor the Very Reverend Paul D. Malyszko, preached a moving, simple sermon on the sudden death of this nation's leader.

February 7, 1964

Time Out for Ginger. Star of the Sea drama class this evening presented a three-act comedy by Ronald Alexander entitled *"Time Out for Ginger."* The cast of ten, directed by Sister Brendan Mary played to a warm, if small, audience and provided for

themselves and their viewers an evening of genuine entertainment. Dan Van Velzer, Sydney Roscoe, and Peggy Hope played the leading roles.

February 25, 1964

Victory. Star of the Sea's basketball team tonight won over Knappa's team by a score of 58-50 in a playoff game at Astoria High School. This victory makes our team the highest in the western division of the Sunset B-League. Spirit was high for both sides of the traditional struggles.

1964-1965 - 69th Scholastic Year

October 19, 1964

Bazaar. When there is great noise there must be children. So, it was today when the boys and girls of the high school manned in miniature for the grade school children the parish bazaar which has been in full tilt these last two days. If the bursting of the sound barrier is any indication, then the efforts of the high school were a resounding success.

January 28, 1965

Retreat. The annual retreat for our students was no usual affair. Instead of the regular format of conferences and meditations, Father James Spink and a band of nine lay persons – Mrs., Leonard Stroebel, Mrs. Ralph Schnell, Mrs. Robert Delgato, Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dietz, and Mr. John Daugherty – conducted a cursillo-type of discussion session. Father Spink is the assistant pastor of St. John's parish in Oregon City, and all the laypersons are from this parish. The zeal of priest and people were an inspiration to the faculty as well as the students.

April 26, 1965

Glee Club to Portland. Such enthusiasm was engendered by the professional job done in *"The Music Man"* that Sister Mary Antonetta took the majority of the glee members by chartered bus to Portland for the final performance. The reaction of the students was as enthusiastic as that of the Sisters. Arriving home after midnight and arriving at school exhausted did not lessen the ardor with which this truly cultural event was received.

May 18, 1965

Awards Given. The following students received ribbons for their projects in the regional science exposition. Nancy Bakkenson, Bruce Jones, Kathy Ward, Louise Bakkenson, Colleen Dugan, Cheri Halstead, Carol Hankel, Carol Mestrich, Tom Alfonse, Roberta Frame, and Susan Fransen. Kathie Franzen received a scholarship to a two-week summer camp at Camp Hancock and Paulette Hankel, a similar scholarship to Camp Arago. The awards were made at the Science and Math Banquet held at Astoria High School.

1965-1966 - 70th Scholastic Year

August 28, 1965

Regatta Queen. This has been Regatta Week in Astoria. Young girls in the city vie for the honor of being Regatta Queen. This season one of our 1965 graduates, Sheryl Bettendorf was the winner. Queen Sheryl wore her honors with royal dignity. She is a lovely girl of whom Star of the Sea is proud.

September 7, 1965

School Reopens. Ninety-three high school students and 242 elementary school pupils enrolled at Star of the Sea this morning. For the first time in our history there will be a single grade in every classroom. Three lay teachers, Mrs. Evelyn Hankel, Mrs. Patricia Crawford, and Mrs. Salina Marren have contracts this year. In the high school Miss Rosemary Lyons will be librarian and part-time teacher, and Mr. Dorwin Lovell will be athletics coach and biology instructor.

Tuition, as determined by a newly created parish school financial board will be twenty dollars a month per family. The initiative for collecting the salaries needed for the lay teachers has been taken by the members of the board.

December 8, 1965

Bridge Span Completed. Today the last section of the bridge spanning the Columbia was floated down the river from Tongue Point and maneuvered into place. Fascinated we watched the slow, careful process, now, the bridge looks completed from our vantage point. However, the span will not accommodate traffic until next year.

April 1, 1966

Educational Trip. Sister Mary, Mrs. Evelyn Hankel, seventh grade teacher and a group of Public School Social Studies teachers went to Marshall High School in Portland to obtain first-hand information on their plan. Flexible scheduling for each student is an outstanding feature. Sister Mary and other members of the faculty at Star of the Sea want to try to inaugurate a similar program next year. There has been considerable discussion of the possibilities of our high school plans.

May 14, 1966

Visit of the Superintendent. In response to a special invitation Rev. Martin Thielen, Diocesan Superintendent of Education, came to visit our high school faculty who have been planning a new schedule for next year patterned on the plan used at Marshall High School of flexible scheduling. Father Thielen was interested and encouraging. He gave consent to the experiment. As a result, some faculty members spent the entire day drawing up a program. This evening they are tired but triumphant over successful work accomplished.

Vocations

St. Mary Star of the Sea High School

Sisters of Providence	Family Name	Year Entered	Deceased
Sister May Dympna	Leahy	1889	1918
Sister Hermyle	Leahy	1899	1913
Sister Edward Mary	Furney	1930	
Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary			
Sister Mary Eleanor	Leahy	1905	1967
Sister M. Anna Louise	Court	1917	1972
Sister Mary Frances Josephine	Kearney	1920	1981
Sister Dolores Adelia (Sister Jean Therese)	Robinson	1925	1981
Sister Marian Dolores	Robinson	1932	2007
Sister Miriam Philip	Friedrich	1932	2012
Sister Mary	Trainor	1933	1993
Sister Laurette	Jalbert	1946	2003
Sister Rosemary	Antonich	1949	2021
Sister Rosemary Ann	Parker	1952	
Sisters of St. Francis of Philadelphia			
Sister Kathleen Mary	Radich	1973	

Priesthood	Family Name	Year Entered	Deceased
Reverend Leo J. Robinson, S.J.	Robinson	1916	1968
Reverend Francis J. Foster	Foster	1927	
Reverend John A. Dalgity, S.J.	Dalgity	1909	1978
Reverend Kevin Coyle	Coyle		

St. Mary Star of the Sea Parish Excerpts: The Catholic Sentinel

1925 - 1968

June 18, 1925

The commencement exercises of the Star of the Sea School took place in the school Auditorium, June 11, with the Rev. John F. Waters, rector of St. Mary's parish presiding. There were two graduates, Charlotte Patricia Dalgity (Pat Crawford) and Josephine Marie Winters. The class motto was "Simplicity, Sincerity, Service". The colors: cherry red and silvery gray; the flower—red rosebuds.

Flower girls were Dorothy Noonan for Miss Dalgity and Anna Trainor for Miss Winters. This is the second graduating class since the parish school was established, but the first one to hold exercises in their own building. The parish has one of the best equipped, modern, fireproof school buildings that can be found anywhere. The teaching corps is the equal of any and the superior of many.

December 31, 1925

The pupils of the Star of the Sea School gave a pageant at the school in honor of Father Waters' Silver Jubilee, Friday evening, December 18. The play depicted the struggles of the Church with the forces of evil in the world and the ultimate triumph. The decorations were beautiful, the background was formed of streams in the papal colors, two thrones were erected, one for the Church and one for Nature. The blending of the various colored lights with the decorations and the resplendent costumes gave a brilliant effect. The performers entered into the spirit of the parts assigned them and the recitation of singing and dancing were all that could be desired.

The children of the school and the Sunday school gathered in the auditorium of the Star of the Sea on Monday night to see the tree and wait the coming of Santa Claus. The program consisted of a song by the first and second grade pupils, then a playlet, *"Star of Bethlehem",* 5th and 6th grade, Julia Shea, soloist. Telephone to Santa Claus, 3rd and 4th grades, Hildegard Moore, telephone operator, Santa Claus then arrived to the delight and joy of everyone. He distributed his gifts with a lavish hand; said he was rejoiced to be with the Astoria children again; his only regret being that he had not arrived in time for Father Waters' jubilee celebration.

March 19, 1926

The students of the Star of the Sea School are elated over the successful presentation of their drama, "The Probable, Improbable" which they presented in the school auditorium. The drama was in four acts and was composed by high school students, members of the *Sosadama Club*, which signifies Star of the Sea athletic, dramatic, oratorical, musical, art club.

May 26, 1932

On last Thursday evening the senior class play, "The Gypsy's Dream", an operetta, was presented by the seniors and pupils of the Star of the Sea School in the school auditorium where a large and appreciative audience gave unstinted applause to the well sustained characters of the play and the delightful program. On Friday night of this week the Stella Maris Social Club will give a card party in the Star of the Sea auditorium.

May 27, 1937

The Star of the Sea girls' basketball team was entertained by the Catholic Daughters of America at their regular social meeting.

The Sisters of the Holy Names presented the junior music pupils in a recital. The high school boys' Glee Club motored to Salem where they entertained the students of St. Joseph High School with a musical program. Mothers of students at Star of the Sea School were entertained at a tea in the school auditorium.

February 1, 1945

James L. Hope, U.S.A., the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Hope of this parish, was awarded the Bronze Star for extraordinary valor on the field of battle. The award was presented to him at a special ceremony in the South Pacific. Only recently he was commissioned a second lieutenant at the front. James is a former student of Star of the Sea.

February 26, 1948

Ann Frances, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Van Dusen, was baptized by Father Vanderbeck. Sponsors were Marshall Leathers and Mrs. Daniel Mahoney.

February 26, 1948

The discussion groups are in session again, with the following as leaders of the groups: Miss Winifred Dalgity, Mrs. Helen Grimberg, Miss Betty Judd; Mrs. Perry Koon and Mrs. Rudy Bosshart in Warrenton: Mrs. Vaughn Brownlie, Mrs. Nora Dugan in Svensen, Mrs. Clara Miles at John Day and Mrs. Paulson in Hammond.

December 6, 1951

The parish bazaar introduced to the residents of Astoria and vicinity the famous Verboort sausage and kraut dinner. The bazaar activities opened Thursday, November 29, with the serving of the sausage dinner. Over 1300 persons attended. The sausage was made at the Finnish Market earlier in the week under the capable supervision of Father Neugebauer. The bazaar extended for three days.

August 21, 1964

Sister May Agatha, SNJM, will be the new principal of Star of the Sea School when it opens for classes for an expected enrollment of 240 students. She succeeds, as principal, and also as superior of the Holy Names Sisters' convent. Sister Mary Rose Carmel is now superior at the convent at Marylhurst. Two new teachers have joined the faculty of Star of the Sea High School. A new playground space will be ready for use in track sports and physical education drills.

December 6, 1968

Prospects are that Star of the Sea High School will close at the end of this school year, according to the Very Rev. Francis J. Maloney, school principal and pastor of St. Mary Star of the Sea Parish. The high school has an enrollment of 56 students with a faculty of six.

Factors in the decision, Father Maloney said, include withdrawal of three Sisters of the Holy Names from the school staff and the large expense which would be involved in operation with an all-lay faculty. He said he had been advised by Mother Rose Veronica, SNJM, Provincial Superior of the Sisters of the Holy Names, that declining enrollment at the school and a decrease in available teaching personnel in the community had brought the decision to no longer staff Star of the Sea.

However, Father Maloney said Mother Rose Veronica indicated that when the high school teachers left she would assign two full-time teaching Sisters for expanded *Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD)* programs in the parish.

Also, Father Maloney reported the Sisters had no intention of withdrawing all members of their community from the Astoria parish. A total of 10 Sisters have been serving there, seven in the parish elementary school.

Final decision on future plans for the high school will be made by Archbishop Dwyer and the Archdiocesan School Board, Father Maloney said.

Enrollment in Star of the Sea High School dropped to 56 this year from 80 last year. In 1966-67, the figure was 86. In 1965-66 enrollment was 93.

Sisters of the Holy Names have been teaching in Astoria schools for 72 years. Star of the Sea High School was dedicated October 12, 1924 by the late Archbishop Alexander Christie.

The Dalgity Family of St. Mary Star of the Sea School

Winifred Marie Dalgity

Winifred Dalgity attended Holy Names College in Seattle, and later received an additional degree from Portland University. She taught for 46 years, first in Cathlamet, then Lower Nehalem, and at Captain Robert Gray School in Astoria until 1974.

Charlotte "Pat" Dalgity Crawford

Charlotte Patricia Dalgity attended Mt. Angel Women's College and taught in Eastern Oregon, and from 1948 to 1974 at Star of the Sea in Astoria. In November 1931 she married Maxwell D. Crawford. Their daughter, Mary Lou, died as an infant. Max worked for many years at *Fisher Brothers* store in Astoria.

Father John Dalgity, S.J.

John Arthur Dalgity was born in 1909. He served as student body president at Astoria High School in 1927 and is remembered for his ready wit and talent on the football field. He attended Gonzaga University for two years, and the Jesuit Society in 1930. He was ordained as a Jesuit priest in 1942 at St. Michaels in Spokane. He taught at Gonzaga University, and served parishes in the Pacific Northwest by conducting family retreats. Father John Dalgity died in 1978, having served as a Jesuit priest for 36 years.

St. Mary Star of the Sea News

1924 Gyro Field *(The Astorian)*

In July 1924, a group of young businessmen organized the *Gyro Club* in Astoria. This was an organization similar to the *Rotary* and *Kiwanis* clubs. Their purpose was to provide service to the community and to aid education. They decided to build a new sports field in the block between 19th and 20th streets, and Exchange and Franklin.

It was to be used for baseball, football and track. There would also be a grandstand that could seat 2,200 people and a fence that would enclose the whole field. With their labor, by the summer of 1928, the *Gyro Athletic Field* was finished and ready for most athletics.

1927 St. Mary Star of the Sea Bazaar *(The Astorian)*

There was a fundraising BAZAAR at ST. MARY'S STAR OF THE SEA in 1927! Astorian LaREE JOHNSON told the *Ear*, "I found this, an unused ticket for St. Mary's Parish Bazar from Nov. 3, 4 and 5, 1927. As you can see, winners have three opportunities to win one of three prizes which include: an auto robe valued at $20, gift of *The Gallant Auto Co.*; a $20 merchandise order from *Malarkey Insurance Agency*; and a mahogany mantle clock valued at $20 donated by *E. P. Noonan & Co.* And the ticket was only 50¢."

1937 Star of the Sea Loses Out in Hard Fought Battle *(Clatsop County Historical Society)*

A gallant band of midget basketball players from the Star of the Sea High School of Astoria lost 17-23 to the tall Columbia Preps and were eliminated from the Oregon Catholic high school basketball championship tournament in the opening round Saturday afternoon but not before they displayed what one Portland sportswriter described as the "most courageous exhibition of the day..."

The Astoria quintet is composed entirely of freshmen with but one exception. The showing which these boys made proved one of the highlights of the tournament, for a while the entire Astoria quintet only grossed a little over 300 pounds. The Columbia Preps were tall and experienced.

Star of the Sea grabbed a 7-6 lead in the first quarter due to the spectacular shooting of Donald Malarkey, guard, who tallied the first eight points for his team. The Astorians fell behind 11-10 at the half, and in the final periods, the height advantage enjoyed by the Columbia Preps began to tell, particularly when Malarkey was ousted from the game on four personals midway in the final period.

The Star of the Sea team earned the designation of *"Singer's Midgets"* during the tournament because the players were by far the smallest of any from the nine teams competing in the tourney. (Scores: Ruljancich 3, Jalbert 0, Turina 2, Malarkey 11, Hope 1.)

Although the team failed to get out of the first round of the high school basketball tournament, the Star of the Sea team won the 1937 sportsmanship trophy of the Oregon Catholic high school basketball tournament. The one for sportsmanship and leadership went to Star of the Sea probably because of the brave but clean battle put up by the diminutive players.

1939 Astoria Turns Tables on St. Mary's of Beaverton

January 11, 1939. Last Sunday the Star of the Sea hoopsters from Astoria moved in on St. Mary's of Beaverton, determined to wreak vengeance on Father Carberry's quintuplets. When the Beaverton boys played in Astoria, they took the game 27-19. The Astorians were going to turn the tables this time and were successful, the game ending in their favor 23-17.

Three days before, the *Seamen* had played what probably was the only "no contest" game in the history of basketball in Clatsop County. They thought they had taken the unbeaten Warrenton team, a favorite in the Clatsop County "B" league with the narrow margin of a 23-22 score. Then minutes later, differences in the records of the scorekeepers was discovered, and the game had finally to be called "no contest."

In moving in on the St. Mary's boys, the Astoria team was going to make sure that this time, history would be made only in taking the game. The Catholic quintet from down the river took the lead in the beginning of the game and kept it throughout. At half-time Beaverton trailed 10-17; and with close checking and good straight basketball, the Astorians were able to keep the lead till the final whistle. This makes only two losses for Beaverton, one to St. Mary's of Eugene and one to Astoria.

1958: March 18 State Basketball Champs Greeted by 1,000!

Star of the Sea high's state basketball champions came home in triumph Sunday afternoon as more than 1,000 wildly cheering fans greeted them at a hastily arranged reception in the school gymnasium. Several hundred fans, augmented by a detachment of the *American Legion Drum and Bugle Corps*, met the ball club and Coach Dale Andrich just south of the Youngs Bay Bridge on Highway 101, with posted-decorated cars and much horn-tooting. Falling in behind the team, the procession of more than 100 cars wound through the downtown district before going to the school, where a confetti-tossing mob of happy fans congratulated the team and coach before permitting them to go into the gym for the reception.

County Commissioner Don Malarkey, Master of Ceremonies for the reception, announced there would be no school today—it's St. Patrick's Day as well as a holiday to celebrate the capture of the Class B State Title.

1958 Star of the Sea State Basketball Championship Team

Captain, Tom Hiestand
Bill Hammer
Don Leader
Jim Varner
Jim Hubbell
Greg Moore
John Zorich
Nick Zorich
Dave Moore
Phil Sullivan
Manager, Mike Moore

For a moment, it's 1958 Again *(The Astorian)*

Mounted on the wall at *Geno's Pizza-N-Burgers* is a photo of the 1958 Star of the Sea High School basketball team. That's right. In 1958, Star of the Sea had a high school, with 62 students, and a state championship basketball team.

The Class B team had stiff competition, going for a 25-2 win-loss record for the season. Coached by Dale Andrich, Star of the Sea played Ilwaco, Warrenton, Rainier, Knappa, Concordia, Corbett and others. Only Ilwaco and Knappa beat the Stars. In the state tournament in Pendleton, they defeated Enterprise (69-51), Yoncalla (40-36) and the town of Jefferson (40-35).

Recently, team members met in Portland to reminisce over dinner. Jim Varner of Ocean Park, Wash., remembered there were cars all the way from Seaside to Astoria when they returned from Pendleton.

Greg Moore and Bill Hammer were named to the All-State team that year. Other members of the team were Nick Zorich, John Zorich, Don Leader, Phil Sullivan, Dave Moore, Jim Hubbell, Varner and Tom Hiestand. Only John Zorich lives in Astoria.

St. Mary Star of the Sea High School Graduates 1924-1969

Class of 1924
Elizabeth Shea
Gertrude Hunt
Mary Stiptich

Class of 1925
Charlotte Dalgity
(Pat Crawford)
Marie Winters

Class of 1926
Ena Egan
Alphonsus Robinson
Lillian Stowe

Class of 1927
Eugene Moore
Colla Noonan
Margaret Shea

Class of 1928
Joseph Egan
Clara Helner
Cecilia Shea
Lewis Moore

Class of 1929
Francis Foster
(Father Frank)
Elizabeth Miles
Nellie Hess

Class of 1930
Katherine Shea
Rosemary Moore
Edward Foster

Class of 1931
Sarah Ellen Hammons
Catherine Leonard

Class of 1932
Henrietta Friedrich
(Sr. Miriam Phillip)
Mary Hlapcich (Fick)
Frances Holland
Louise Malagamba
Charles Moore
Margaret Robinson
(Sr. Marian Dolores)
Julie Shea
Viola Thomas

Class of 1933
Simona Mardesich
Mary Trainor
(Sr. Frances Ann)

Class of 1934
Anna Marie Boutin
Kathleen Egan
Elsie Heiner
Rose Hlapsich
Mary Louise Hope
Nicholas Mardesich
Hope Miles
Hildegarde Moore
Patrick Shea
Edwina Thomas

Class of 1935
Norbert Brunold
Carolyn Heiner
Joseph Leahy
Marcella Malagamba
Ann Trainor
Winifred Zankich

Class of 1936
Robert Friedrich
John Hope
Dorothy Noonan
Viola Parker

Class of 1937
Robert Coyle (Fr. Kevin)
Joseph Laws
Evelyn Leahy
Joseph Moore
Margaret Turina

Class of 1938
Patricia Leahy
Claire McNichol
Mary McNichol

Class of 1939
Bernard Grass
Leo Jalbert
William Leahy
Elizabeth Lilleoren
Salvador Mardesich
Monica Moore
John Schairer

Class of 1940
Dolores Brunold
Joseph Fastaband
Mary Filliger
Bernice Franetovich
Erna Glaser
Catherine Grass
Carol Judd
John Rulijancich
Charles Turina
Leland Westley

Class of 1941
Marian Phillips
Margaret Nielsen
Thomasina Rudolfi
Rosemary Vollmer
Margaret Wolfgram

Class of 1942
Terence Burke
Pauline Fairbanks
Lorraine Filliger
Dean Girard
Elizabeth Laws
John Mares
Dorothy Paschild
Jane Rulijancich
Frances Schairer
Donald Westley
Natalie Turina

Class of 1943
James Brunold
Joseph Darnell
Charles Malagamba
Charles Mestrich
Mary Rudolphi

Class of 1944
Richard Abbey
Jean Arena
Barnes Collinson
Arthur Filliger
Pauline Friedrich
Mary Ann Mardesich
Henrietta Paulson
Elizabeth Ward
Maurice Wolfgram

Class of 1945
Bernice Cordz
Louis Darnell
Cecilia Gajan
Laurette Jalbert
Ardith Jumisko
Theresa Kempf
William Lamb
Rosamond Maunula
Vincent Mardesich
Paul Moore
Joan Morgan
Dolores Robinson

Class of 1946
Rosemary Antonich
Robert Brunmeier
Jack Kuske
Theresa Lamb
Jacqueline Luke
Pearl McCrea
Christopher Mestrich

Class of 1947
Robert Andrich
Lloyd Arena
Adele Collinson
John Fastaband
Sue Judd
John Olson
Marian Smith
Donald Turina
Ramona Ward

Class of 1948
Patricia Cordz
Donald Fastaband
Sue Kearney
Mary Kuske
Joanne Leahy
Richard Moore
Arthur Schairer
Barbara Tadei
William Terrio
Louise Stupfel

Class of 1949
Katherine Antonich
Marianne Brunmeier
Margaret Brunmeier
Archie Charawell
Gertrude Glaser
Margaret Hawkins
Richard Kearney
Marie Laferriere
John Lamb
Nona Olson
Rae Thomas

Class of 1950
Marcella Combs
Marilee Davis
Patrick Dugan
Robert Fawcett
George Hauer
Bernice Hillard
Philip Kearney
Richard Maddux
Michael Poell
George Radich
Rose Riner
Vincent Tadei
Darlene Velder

Class of 1951
June Burton
Gerald Corrigan
Robert Fastaband
William Fastaband
Delores Hauer
Patrick Hjorten
Fredrick Hope
Beatrice Lamb
Ole Lilleoren
Maureen Miles
Nellie Parker

Class of 1952
Dale Andrich
Margaret Antonich
Esther Brunmeier
Patrick Cole
Lydia Dorn
James Dressler
Barbara Flynn
Terrence Kuske
Irene Laferriere
Lawrence Schmitz
Richard Williams

Class of 1953
Donald Ball
Patricia Hauer
George Hreha
Richard Hughes
Gerald Kempf
Patricia McKenna
Agnes Schairer
Ann Schairer
William Varner
Charolotte Ward
Clovia Wells

Class of 1954
Richard Bozanich
Ronald Brunmeier
Elizabeth Laferriere
Jeanne Maddox
Molly Malarkey
Patrick Malloy

St. Mary Star of the Sea High School Graduates 1924-1969

Patricia McHale
John Palmrose
Elsie Smith

Class of 1955
Richard Angstrom
Mary Lou Burton
William Dreitlein
Cecilia Evangelista
Catherine Fastaband
Frances McManama
Barbara Montgomery
Mary Peitsch
Leonard Thoennes
Charles Vanderveldt

Class of 1956
Carol Bosshart
Edwin Chase
Donald Falleur
Paul Fastaband
Marcella Hakanson
Janet Jalbert
Jeanette Kempf
Anita Marincovich
James McDermott
Charles Morgan
Arthur Owen
John Rannells
Lorraine Stoner
James Von Seggern

Class of 1957
Monica Angstrom
Robert Bonsanti
Carol Bozanich
Michael Brunmeier
James Carruthers
Cristin Evans
Nobuko Hara
Robert Honeychurch
Dalbert Johnson
Mary Patricia Olsen
Robert Owen
Ivan Thoennes
Elmyrna Von Seggern
Donald Williams

Class of 1958
Andrew Anderson
John Angstrom
Sharon Falleur
Jeannine Hammer
William Hammer
Thomas Hiestand
James Hubbell
Donald Leader
Ellen Morris
Theodore Nelson
James Schalk
Joan Schinderle
Karen Van Volkinburg

Class of 1959
Judy Flynn
James Gedenberg
Particia Hecox
Nancy Jo Kerbel
Jeannette Marincovich
Gregory Moore
Betty Morris
Charles Owen
Patricia Reynolds
Barbara Schalk
Loretta Schinderle
Robert Sienko
Rita Thoennes
James Varner
Irene Wolfgram
Nicholas Zorich

Class of 1960
Phylllis Anderson
Terry Barnes
Judy Barr
Elizabeth Brownlie
Ada Chase
Antonette Ettro
Edgar Frank
Myphon Hunt
Karen Johnson
Mary Kay Kerbel
Janet Leader
Joy Miles
Patricia Moore
Lawrence Morse
Margaret Pike
Lawrence Riner
Janice Roman
Dennis Santilli
John Tilander
John Zorich

Class of 1961
Charles Anthony Fastaband
Larry Colin Kobbe
David Lewis Moore
Thomas Patrick Owen
David Livingston Roscoe
Phillip Vincent Sullivan
Melvin John Wick
William Joseph Zorich

Class of 1962
Margaret Brownlie
James Collins
Daniel Cronen
James Fawcett
Edward Hauer
Tim Leigh
Michael Olsen
Peter Rees
Margie Roscoe
Nancy Rubens
Stan Santilli
Carol Stockfleth
Duane Velder
Esther Walmsley
Kathy Wells
Kathy Wick
Robert Williams
Kathy Zakrzewski
Steve Zorich

Class of 1963
Sally Blissett
William Elder
Judith Ettro
Rosanne Kramer
Kathleen Laughman
Lawrence Moore
Bill Morris
Barbara Sandstrom
Jerry Zorich

Class of 1964
Fred Alfonse
Mike Brownlie
Gloria Gerardo
Bill Hankel
Paxton Hoag
Mike Hope
Joe Hubbell
Sonja Larsen
Paula Laughman
Robin Leigh
John Mattingly
Mary Carol Miles
Catherine Olsen
Rita Radich
Peter Roscoe
Mary Lee Rummell
Cindy Stockfleth
Dan Van Dusen
Brigid White
Steve Zakrzewski

Class of 1965
Sheryl Bettendorf
Jack Elliott
Peggy Flynn
Ernest Lareau
Fred Lindstrom
Margaret Melvin
Steve Moore
Bill Nerenberg
Paula Radich
Mike Sawyer
Tom Seavers
Cecilia Stoner
Mary White

Class of 1966
Sue Bugas
Marie Cronen
Diane Danielovich
Alice Eccles
Mike Ettro
Paul Ewald
Pam Flynn
Larry Hoag
Peggy Hope
Marcia Kirk
Ed Lindstrom
Walter Lindstrom
John Moore
Debbi Nerenberg
Michele Radich
Lorraine Rickey
Sidney Roscoe
Donna Rubens
Rose Sawyer
Jeff Smith
Greg Sork
Alide Sullivan
Anne Van Dusen

Class of 1967
Donald Elder
Richard Elder
Patrick Ettro
Stephen Flabetich
Evelyn Gerardo
Tina Glasco
Evelyn Hankel
Stanley Hauer
Richard Laird
Betty Lou Larson
William Leahy
Christine Mestrich
Robert Morris
Anthony Radich
Donald Santilli
Patrick Smith
Valerie Tarabochia
Connie Van Dusen
Jim Wells
Patrice Wohlfeil

Class of 1968
Donald Abing
Sherry Arens
Celeste Bishop
Kathleen Bozanich
Noreen Brownlie
Joseph Brunick
Christina Bugas
Cheryl Danielovich
Rocky Danielovich
Mark Ewald
Eugene Hamm
Deanna Hauer
Sally Hope
Susan Leahy
Ross Miles
Michelle Patterson
Craig Ramvick
Mary Roscoe
Joseph Sawyer
Jerry Sullivan
Patty Van Velzer
Marilynne Ward
Philip Zorich

Class of 1969
Susan Fransen
Susan Jurasin
James Lawson
Janice Mauro
Robert Nerenberg
Shannon Pannell
Kathleen Radich
Donna Rummell
Martha Rummell
Marsha Wohlfeil

1903 St. Mary Star of the Sea Catholic Church

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

choir boys of St. Marys Catholic church exemplify the spirit that will [illegible] most churches are scheduling special Christmas observances in the anniversary of the birth of Christ. (A-S Photo)

The Bell Of St. Mary

1896

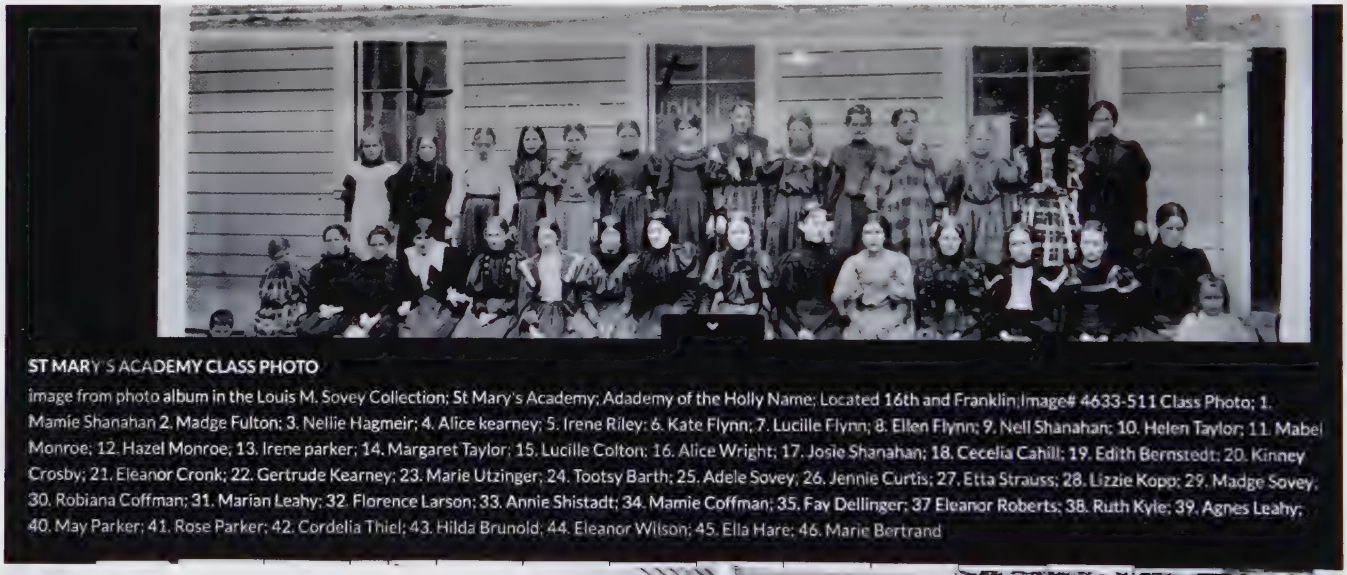
In the Beginning

First day of school, 18 little girls, "pink-cheeked and proud in their new uniforms, shining hair in saucy braids and bobbing curls", line up to register with the Sisters as the first students of the *Holy Names Academy of Young Ladies.*

1905

Academy Opens Doors to Boys

Seven small boys are welcomed among them: Leopold Robinson, James Robinson, Thomas Shea and Eben Parker.



ST MARY'S ACADEMY CLASS PHOTO

image from photo album in the Louis M. Sovey Collection; St Mary's Academy; Adademy of the Holly Name; Located 16th and Franklin;Image# 4633-511 Class Photo; 1. Mamie Shanahan 2. Madge Fulton; 3. Nellie Hagmeir; 4. Alice kearney; 5. Irene Riley; 6. Kate Flynn; 7. Lucille Flynn; 8. Ellen Flynn; 9. Nell Shanahan; 10. Helen Taylor; 11. Mabel Monroe; 12. Hazel Monroe; 13. Irene parker; 14. Margaret Taylor; 15. Lucille Colton; 16. Alice Wright; 17. Josie Shanahan; 18. Cecelia Cahill; 19. Edith Bernstedt; 20. Kinney Crosby; 21. Eleanor Cronk; 22. Gertrude Kearney; 23. Marie Utzinger; 24. Tootsy Barth; 25. Adele Sovey; 26. Jennie Curtis; 27. Etta Strauss; 28. Lizzie Kopp; 29. Madge Sovey; 30. Robiana Coffman; 31. Marian Leahy; 32. Florence Larson; 33. Annie Shistadt; 34. Mamie Coffman; 35. Fay Dellinger; 37 Eleanor Roberts; 38. Ruth Kyle; 39. Agnes Leahy; 40. May Parker; 41. Rose Parker; 42. Cordelia Thiel; 43. Hilda Brunold; 44. Eleanor Wilson; 45. Ella Hare; 46. Marie Bertrand

1924 A Star Rises

The cornerstone of the new building is laid. St. Mary Star of the Sea School opens its doors to grade and high school students. Moving vans arrive with furnishings for the Sisters apartments on the third floor of the school.

LAYING OF THE CORNERSTONE OF STAR OF THE SEA SCHOOL

cornerstone laying- star of the sea school; date unknown, photographer - woodfield, c. 1920

1896 - 1974

Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary

Sisters of the Holy Names
of Jesus and Mary
U.S.-Ontario

First Holy Communion
Clifton, Oregon

1937 Sister Gerard Mary and Star of the Sea High School Students

Sister M. Frances Ann (Mary Trainor)
St. Mary Star of the Sea Class of 1933

1896 – 1974

Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary

Back Row: S. Constance Jean, S. Mary Chewning, S. Ardis Ann
Front Row: S. Matthew Marie, S. Mary Antonetta

1974 S. Elizabeth Hecker, S. Carolyn Coleman, S. Patricia McCann, S. Catherine Ann Struntz, S. Helen Moore (seated)

Beloved Astoria
S. Liz Hecker, S. Carolyn Coleman, S. Patricia McCann (dec.)
S. Catherine Ann Struntz (dec.), S. Helen Moore in 1974

Teachers and Leaders

Rev. Paul Malyzsko | Rev. Charles Borho | Sr. Rose Carmel | Sr. Mary | Mrs. Pat Crawford

Mr. Bob Bradach | Sr. Mary Agatha | Sr. Brendan Mary | Sr. Marion Raymond | Sr. Marilyn Ann

Sr. Matthew Marie | Sr. Antonetta | Nurse Sylvia Severson | Sr. Angel Guardian | Sr. Ann Bernadette

Star of the Sea Stars 1959 and 1960

Eighth Grade Class of 1959

Class of 1960

Star of the Sea Stars 1961-1966

First Grade Class of 1966

Second Grade Class of 1965

Third Grade Class of 1964

Fourth Grade Class of 1963

Fifth Grade Class of 1962

Sixth Grade Class of 1961

Star of the Sea Stars 1967-1970

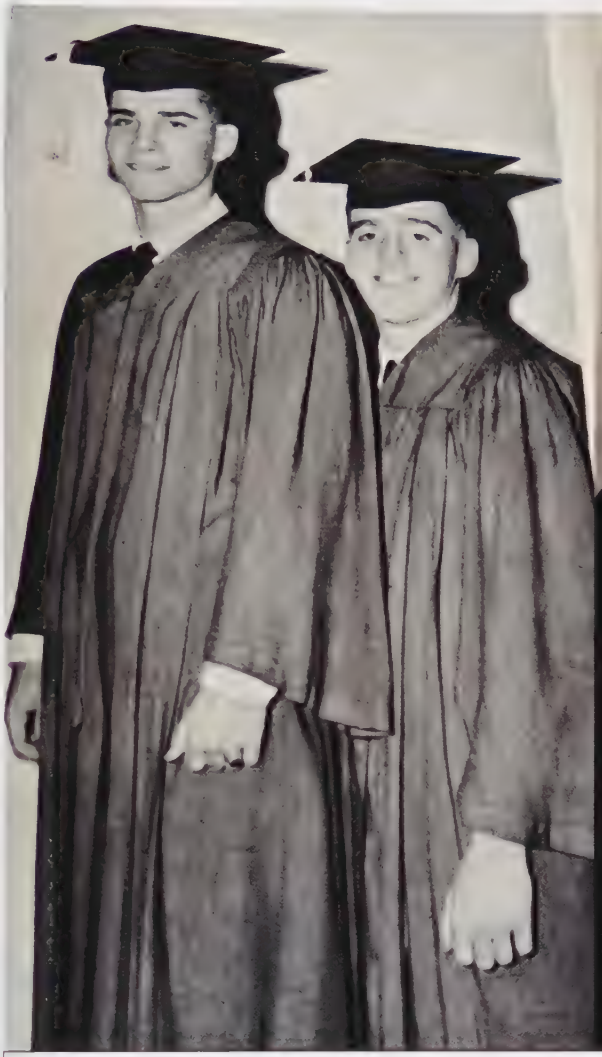
Class of 1967

Class of 1968

Class of 1969

Star of the Sea Stars 1970-1972

Valedictorians and Salutatorians



1961 David Roscoe (V) and David Moore (S)

1963 Kathleen Laughman (S) and Rosanne Kramer (V)

1962 Margaret Roscoe (S) and Nancy Rubens (V)

Year	Valedictorian	Salutatorian
1958	Thomas Hiestand	Theodore Nelson
1959	Rita Thoenses	Patricia Reynolds
1960	Mary Kaye Kerbel	Ada Chase
1961	David Roscoe	David Moore
1962	Nancy Rubens	Margaret Roscoe
1963	Rosanne Kramer	Kathleen Laughman
1964	Rita Radich	Michael Hope
1965	Paula Radich	Sheryl Bettendorf
1966	Donna Rubens	Ann Van Dusen
1967	Betty Lou Larson	Patrice Wohlfeil
1968	Mary Roscoe	Christine Bugas
1969	Kathleen Radich	Susan Jurasin

1958 State B Championship Team

Submitted photo

From the scrapbook of Jim Varner, the 1958 Oregon State B championship team waves. Front row, from left, Dave Moore, Jim Hubbell, coach Dale Andrich, Bill Hammer, Jim Varner and Tom Hiestand. Back row, from left, Nick Zorich, Greg Moore, John Zorich, Don Leader and Phil Sullivan.

Star of the Sea Football

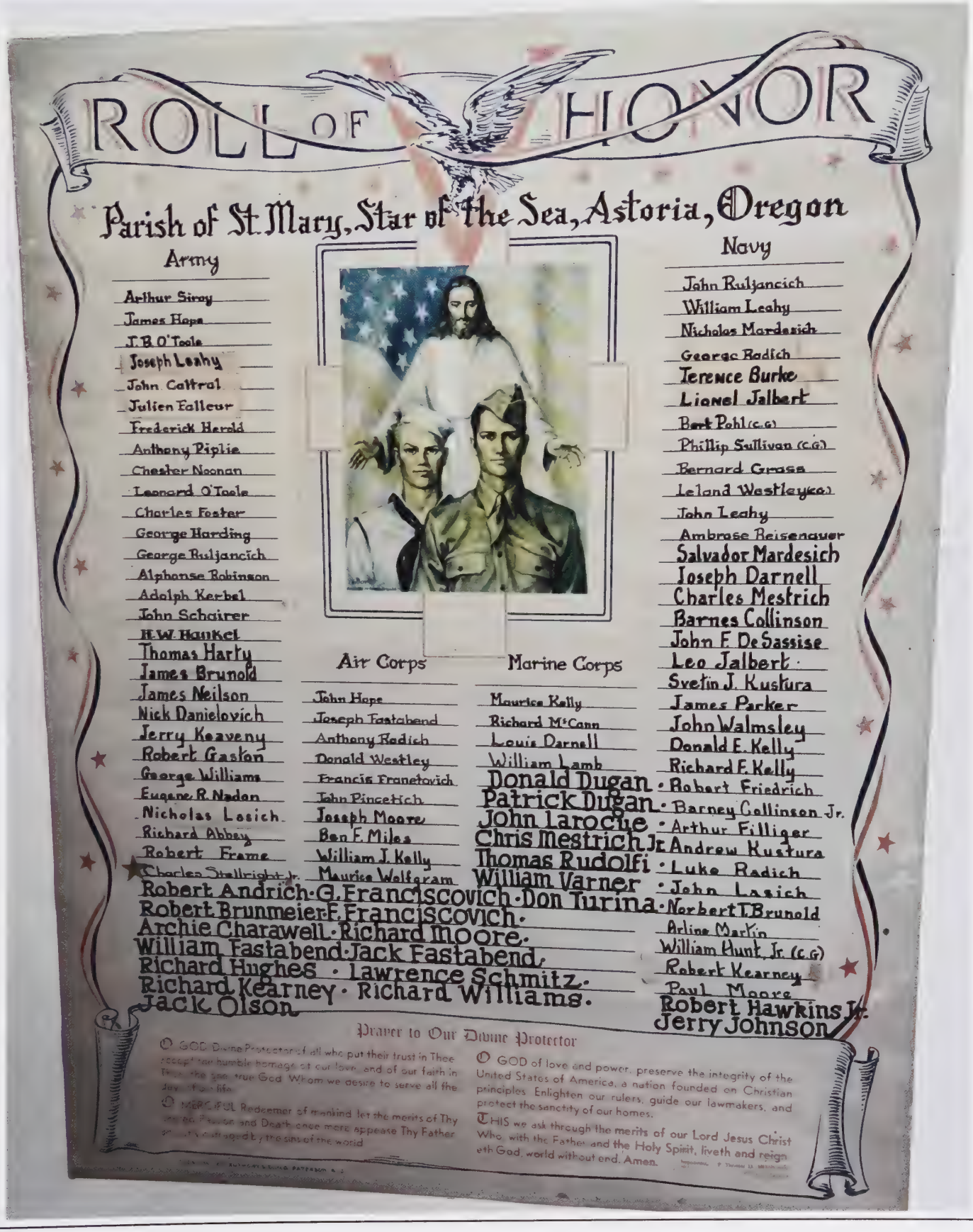
Fight Song

Star of the Sea, We're with You,
Star of the Sea, We'll Cheer You,
On to Victory, Blue and White,
Stars will Shine for You
Win Tonight!

Parish Bazaar, Sausage and Sauerkraut Dinner

St. Mary Star of the Sea Roll of Honor

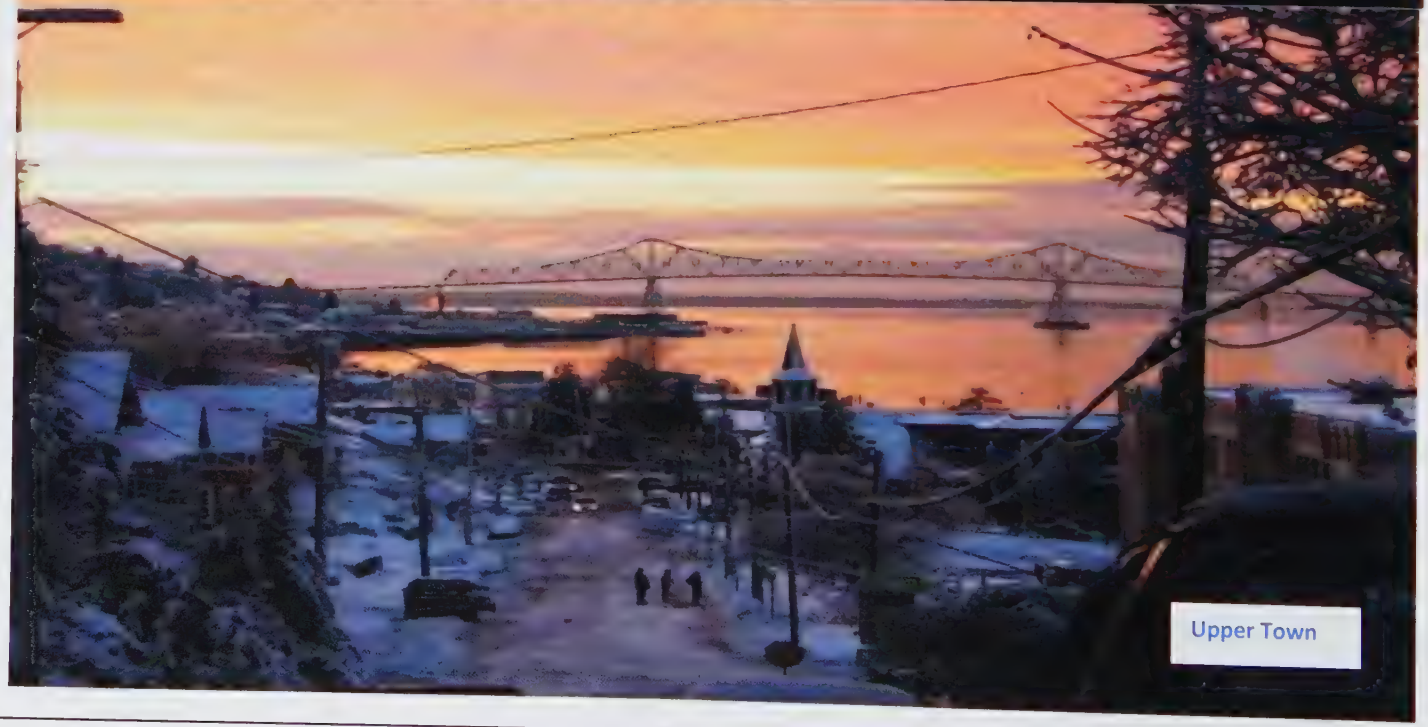
WWII, Korean War


ROLL OF HONOR
Parish of St. Mary, Star of the Sea, Astoria, Oregon
Army
Arthur Siray
James Hope
T.B. O'Toole
Joseph Leahy
John Cattral
Julien Falleur
Frederick Herald
Anthony Piplie
Chester Noonan
Leonard O'Toole
Charles Foster
George Harding
George Ruljancich
Alphonse Robinson
Adolph Kerbel
John Schairer
H.W. Hankel
Thomas Harty
James Brunold
James Neilson
Nick Danielovich
Jerry Keaveny
Robert Gaston
George Williams
Eugene R. Nadon
Nicholas Losich
Richard Abbey
Robert Frame
Charles Stallwright Jr.
Air Corps
John Hope
Joseph Fastabend
Anthony Radich
Donald Westley
Francis Franetovich
John Pincetich
Joseph Moore
Ben F. Miles
William J. Kelly
Maurice Wolfgram
Marine Corps
Maurice Kelly
Richard McCann
Louis Darnell
William Lamb
Donald Dugan
Patrick Dugan
John Laroche
Chris Mestrich
Thomas Rudolfi
William Varner
Navy
John Ruljancich
William Leahy
Nicholas Mardesich
George Radich
Terence Burke
Lionel Jalbert
Bert Pohl (c.g.)
Phillip Sullivan (c.g.)
Bernard Grass
Leland Westley (c.g.)
John Leahy
Ambrose Beisenauer
Salvador Mardesich
Joseph Darnell
Charles Mestrich
Barnes Collinson
John F. DeSassise
Leo Jalbert
Svetin J. Kustura
James Parker
John Walmsley
Donald E. Kelly
Richard F. Kelly
Robert Andrich · G. Franciscovich · Don Turina · Norbert T. Brunold
Robert Brunmeier · F. Franciscovich · Arline Markin
Archie Charawell · Richard Moore · William Hunt, Jr. (c.g.)
William Fastabend · Jack Fastabend · Robert Kearney
Richard Hughes · Lawrence Schmitz · Paul Moore
Richard Kearney · Richard Williams · Robert Hawkins Jr.
Jack Olson · Jerry Johnson
Robert Friedrich
Barney Collinson Jr.
Arthur Filliger
Andrew Kustura
Luke Radich
John Lasich
Prayer to Our Divine Protector
O GOD, Divine Protector of all who put their trust in Thee, accept our humble homage at our love, and of our faith in Thee, the one true God Whom we desire to serve all the days of our life.
O MERCIFUL Redeemer of mankind let the merits of Thy sacred Passion and Death once more appease Thy Father whose justice is outraged by the sins of the world.
O GOD of love and power, preserve the integrity of the United States of America, a nation founded on Christian principles. Enlighten our rulers, guide our lawmakers, and protect the sanctity of our homes.
THIS we ask through the merits of our Lord Jesus Christ Who, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, liveth and reigneth God, world without end. Amen.

Astoria

JOHN JACOB ASTOR HOTEL
ONE WAY
NORTH 101
EAST 30
THE 88¢ STORE
WESTERN AUTO
SPORT CENTER
APPLIANCE
OFFICE

Scow Bay


Upper Town

Astoria Places

Astoria Fire Department

Tapiola Pool

Downtown Astoria

Utzinger Stationery

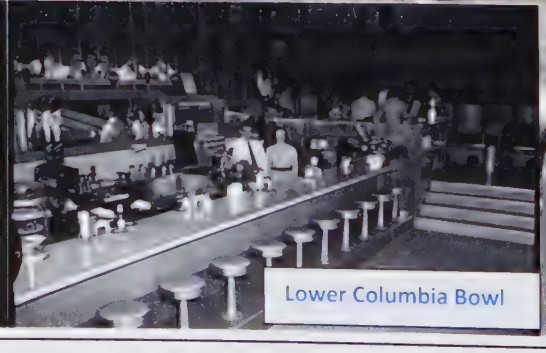
Leahy Hardware

Lower Columbia Dairy

Hotel Astoria

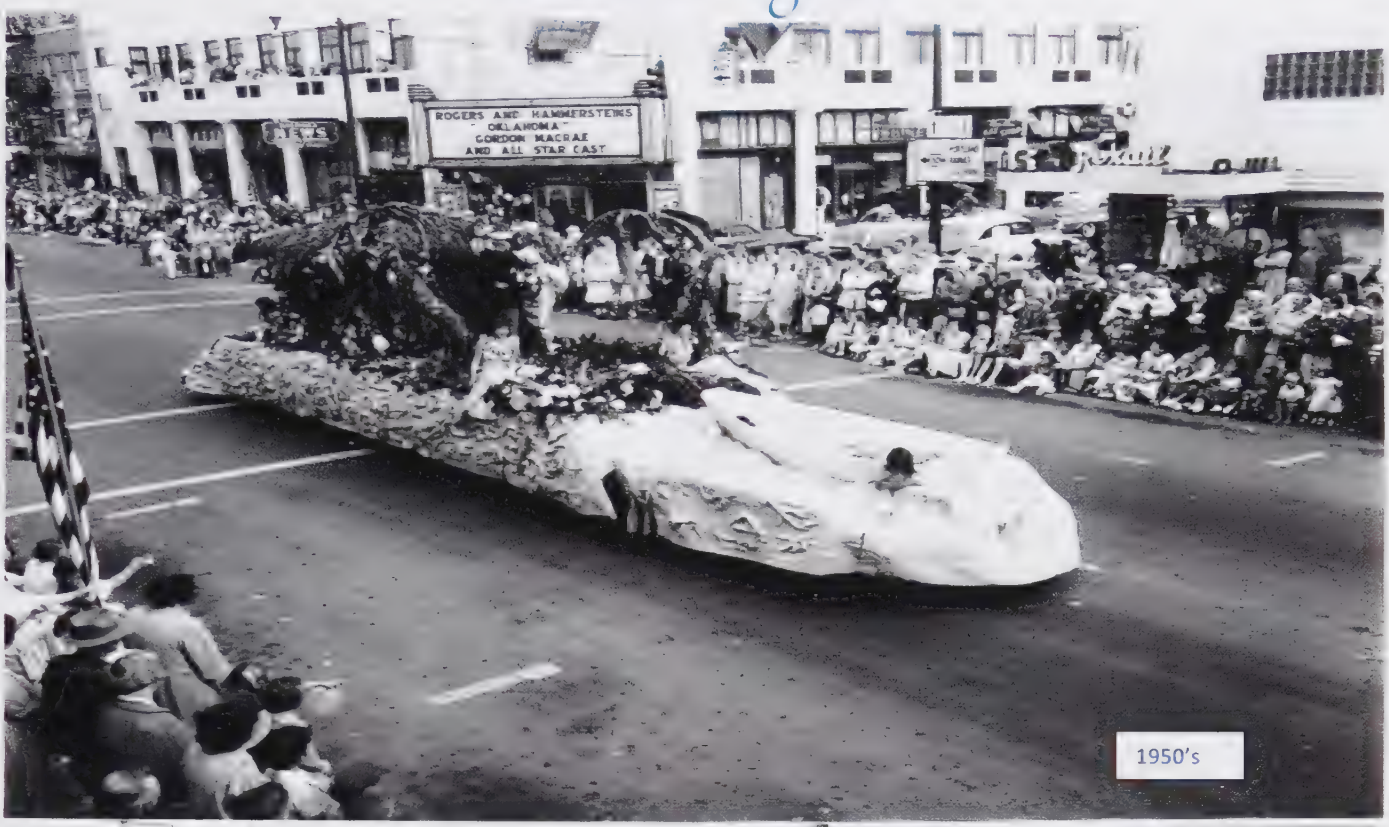
St. Mary Hospital 1912

Liberty Theater 1925


Lower Columbia Bowl

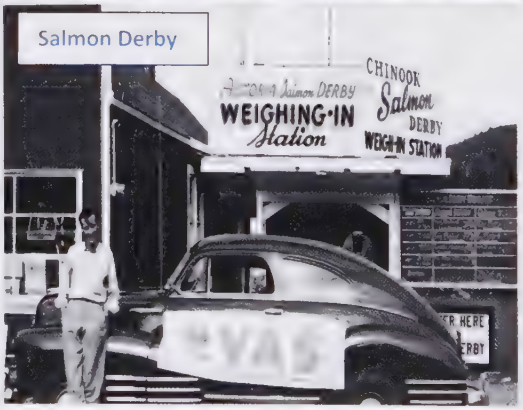
1950's 27¢ per Gallon

Astoria Regatta



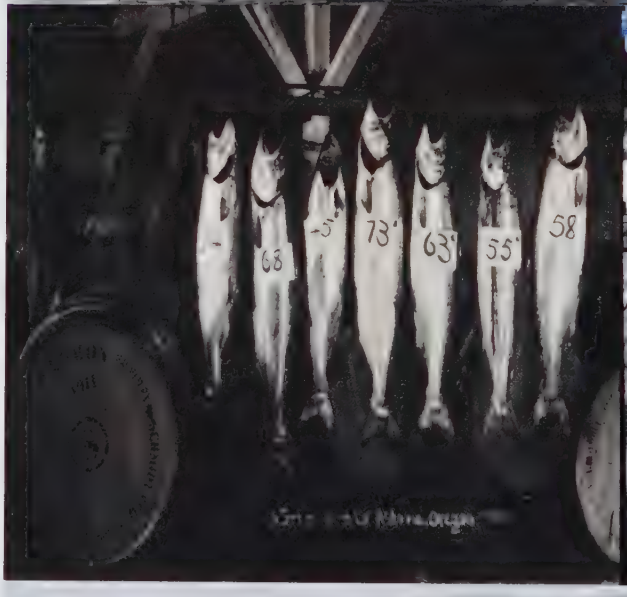
1950's

Astoria Anchor Club



Salmon Derby

Columbia River Gillnetting



Canneries

Tuna Cleaning and Prep

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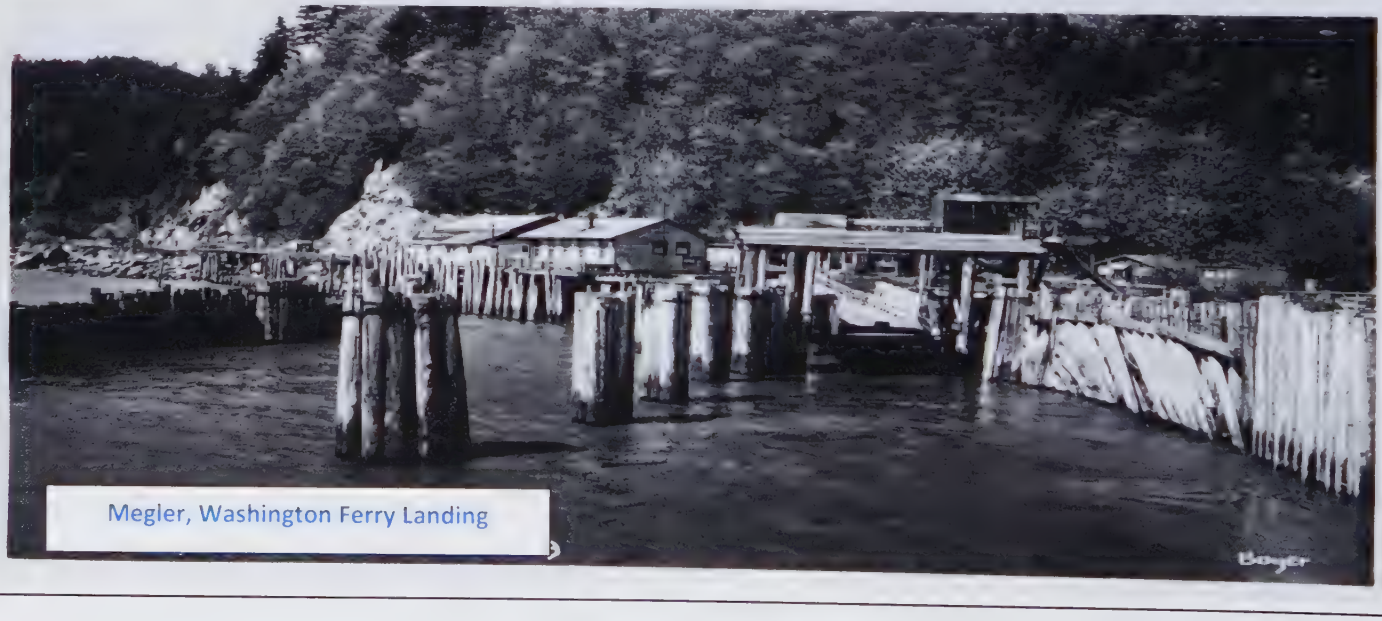

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May the road rise up to meet you.
May the wind be always at your back.
May the sun shine warm upon your face;
The rains fall soft upon your fields.
And, until we meet again,
May God hold you in the palm of His hand.

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